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Public gets to see preliminary designs

MDOT holds open house on proposed I-75 interchange

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) held a public meeting in Grayling on Wednesday, February 3, in order to collect early input on a proposed four-way interchange at I-75 and North Down River Road.

The meeting, which was held in the Grayling Middle School cafeteria, gave citizens the opportunity to check out a few "conceptual drawings" of the interchange, talk directly with representatives from MDOT, and offer written input through the use of comment forms.

Project Manager Tom Doyle of MDOT said that the meeting was intended as an "open house," where the public could look at project diagrams and give feedback. There was no formal presentation, and the interchange project is still in the early planning phase.

"The conceptual drawings are not final design plans," said Doyle. "They are just to give some indication of the impact and to show what the design might look like for a future interchange."

The drawings included two basic concepts for the interchange, both of which aim to create a full-service interchange at I-75 and North Down River Road. The current set-up is considered a "partial-service" interchange.

The conceptual drawing for "Alternative 1" detailed a diamond-shaped traffic exchange. The plan would add a ramp going from northbound I-75 to the south side of North Down River Road, and add another ramp on the south side of the road to connect with southbound I-75.

"Alternative 2" proposes to remove the two existing access ramps on the north side and put in four new ones. In contrast to the first plan, this proposal would construct all four ramps on the north side of North Down.

The northbound "off" ramp would be a half-circle that connects to the north side of North Down River Road, and the new southbound "on" ramp would loop onto I-75 with a similar half-circle shaped drive. The northbound "on" ramp and southbound "off" ramp would be located on the areas just outside the half-circle loops.

Both plans would involve the reworking of Isenhauer Road and Glenn Road, each of which intersect with North Down near the current I-75 interchange. Carlisle Paddles, Inc. would also be affected. Other impacts will depend on the specific

plan and input from the public, Doyle said.

"We haven't determined all the impacts," he said. "That's the process we're going through now."

Some citizens thought that "Alternative 2" was the better plan, since it involves less reorganization of land in the area. "This one is much more feasible," said one citizen of the second plan.

Ray Swiercz, Chairman of the Road Commission Board, agreed. "The first plan would require millions of dollars in land acquisition," said Swiercz. "This ('Alternative 2') is a much better plan." He added that "Alternative 1" would also require construction of a bridge over the AuSable River.

The Road Commission Board discussed the issue the next day, at its February 4 regular meeting.

Managing Director Don Babcock and Board Vice-Chairman Robert Nelson both liked the diamond-shaped plan better, citing that it would be safer than the half-circle drives, but agreed with Swiercz that the "Alternative 1" plan would cost considerably more to construct.

"It's a big project whether you go with number one or number two," said Swiercz, "and an exit off North Down is all you really get."

Swiercz said that a four-way interchange doesn't address what he feels is the most obvious problem with the current I-75 situation, which is the confusion associated with getting back on northbound I-75.

"The biggest problem is getting back on northbound, not south," he said.

Even with the proposed four-way interchange, vehicles getting off at the South I-75 Business Loop would still have to go to North Down or M-93 to get back on.

"I don't know what this new thing is going to do but create more traffic on North Down River Road," said Swiercz.

How the project will proceed now is not yet determined. The only money allocated for the project at this point is \$1.125 million, which was included in the six-year federal transportation bill approved last year. The money was set aside for the "preliminary engineering," which will be ongoing this year.

MDOT will now consider the input received from local residents, and proceed from there.

In addition to the two plans, leaving the interchange alone is also an option.

"To do nothing is always an alternative," said Doyle.

1999 Grayling Junior Miss Scholarship winners



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

JUNIOR MISS COURT - The 1999 Grayling Junior Miss Scholarship Program took place Saturday, February 6 in the Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. After an evening of competition for these young ladies and a variety of entertainment for the capacity crowd, the winners were finally named. From left are Finalists Allison Schoen, Amie Price and Krystal Savoy; Second Runner-Up Amanda Love; First Runner-Up Danielle McClanahan; 1999 Grayling Junior Miss Brandi McClain with Program Director Sandra Moore.

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Brandi McClain, daughter of Dave and Gayle McClain, was crowned the 1999 Grayling Junior Miss Scholarship Program winner on Saturday, February 6.

The Stripe Auditorium was filled with cheering and screaming sup-

porters for each of the 13 candidates vying for the coveted local title.

McClain earned the highest points in the Scholastic, Fitness and Talent portions of the competition.

First Runner-Up Danielle McClanahan, daughter of Brock and Nancy McClanahan, earned the most points in the Evening Gown

competition.

Amanda Love, daughter of Harry and Angela Love was named Second Runner-Up, scoring high in all categories.

There was a tie for one of the Finalist positions, therefore the traditional two Finalists were increased to three. They were Allison Schoen,

daughter of Charlie and Julie Schoen, Krystal Savoy, daughter of Geno and Lori Mastroeni and Amie Price, daughter of Sarah Price and Ray Halstead. Price was also the recipient of the programs Spirit Award for her encouragement, support and friendliness during the weeks leading up to the competition.

Army air field refurbishment slated to be completed this summer

Civilian feedback for additional services has prompted the Bureau of Aeronautics, Michigan Department of Transportation to press forward to refurbish the civilian terminal building (office and hangar) at Grayling Army Air Field.

The tentative schedule is to open bids the first part of March, construction beginning the first part of May and completion by mid-summer.

These are steps toward re-establishing a range of services at the civilian terminal.

According to Jim Downer of the Bureau of Aeronautics, their goal is by mid-summer to have the civilian terminal completed, have refueling available on-site and hire a Fixed Base Operator to run the facility.

Downer emphasized, "Access to

the nation's aviation system is vital to a community's economic development and well-being. Through the combined efforts of the Michigan Department of Military Affairs and the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics, we are moving forward to ensure Grayling Army Air Field is that access for Grayling and Crawford County."

Currently, civilian pilots have

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Three arrested on charges related to home invasion

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Three 17-year old males were arrested late on Saturday, January 30, for their involvement in a home invasion on West Dort Road.

Jason Sajdak, Joe Green and Richard Carter were arraigned in 83rd District Court on February 2 on charges related to the break-in.

Crawford County Sheriff David Lovely stated that most of the items taken from the home have been recovered.

An arrest warrant is expected to be issued for an 18-year old from southern Crawford County on grounds of receiving and concealing stolen property in this case.

County Board approves funding to relocate Sheriff's antennae

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

"Dead zones" in the Crawford County Sheriff's Department radio communications coverage area has prompted the Crawford County Board of Commissioners to approve the necessary funding to relocate the department's frequency antennae.

According to Sheriff David Lovely, results of testing has proven what he expected for some time — communications in certain areas of the county are weak. Lovely's concern is for the safety and well-being of county citizens as well as the safety of his officers.

"We have found places in the coverage area that signals grow very weak," said Lovely. "We can remedy the problem by relocating the fre-

quency antennae from the communications tower in Beaver Creek to the Cellular One tower at Skyline."

Board members discussed with Lovely the need and cost for an engineering study prior to installation of the antennae and frequency coordination fees that total \$800.

Sheriff Lovely stated that the relocation itself will cost \$3,553.18 and requested that amount also be allocated to his department, for a total of \$4,353.18.

The Board agreed that moving the antennae is necessary for public safety and voted unanimously to approve all funding.

Lovely advised the Board the relocation would not take place until spring, possibly in April.

Schools, Sheriff and courts invite public to discuss youth issues

Sheriff Dave Lovely and officers from the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, in cooperation with the Crawford AuSable School District, will be sponsoring a public meeting for parents, guardians and interested persons.

The meeting will address the D.A.R.E. programs and the roles of the Juvenile Officer from Family Court and the School Liaison Officer.

The meeting is designed to inform the parents or guardians of

young persons about the safety and welfare of our young people in Crawford County.

Sheriff's Deputy Shawn Kracysz said, "This is an opportunity for parents, guardians and interested persons to ask questions and voice concerns they may have involving young people in our county."

The meeting will be held in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School on Wednesday, February 17 beginning at 7 p.m.

County Commissioners adopt 1999 Salary Wage Schedule

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioner voted unanimously to adopt the County's 1999 Salary and Wage Schedule at their regular meeting on January 20.

They also agreed to travel reimbursement, at the rate of 29.5 cents per mile, for Commissioners who attend out-of-county meetings, conferences and seminars.

In addition, County Board Chairperson Lynnette Corlew requested that mileage reimburse-

ment for County Controller Paul Compo be placed on the next regular meeting's agenda for consideration, because he also has to travel outside of the County for meetings and seminars in order to fulfill his duties.

According to the 1999 schedule, Corlew will receive \$4,500 annually for her service as Board Chair. The remaining five Commissioners, including Vice-Chair Beth Wieland, will be paid \$4,200 per year.

County Controller Compo's salary is listed as \$37,500 for per-

forming the duties of chief financial officers this year.

Building and Zoning Director Joseph Duran will earn \$35,000 and the Assistant Zoning Administrator Bruce Leonard will earn \$24,000.

Central Dispatch (E-911) Director Larry Akers receives Emergency Preparedness pay for a combined salary of \$26,994.

County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore and Treasurer Joseph Wakeley will each earn \$35,010.

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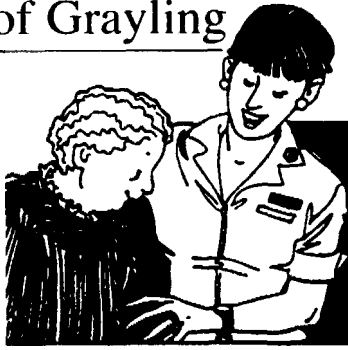
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Clean-up needed at old Bear dump site

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

In the spring of 1998, Crawford County Environmental Monitor Pat Merrill and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) geologist Steve Takacs took a walking tour of suspected former dumping sites in the county.

What had been reported to the DNR Law Enforcement Division in 1986 by former employees and eye-witnesses as the informal dumping of liquid wastes by Bear Archery, and other sources, was found to be evident by Merrill and Takacs.

A dumping site consisting of about 10 acres, located north of North Down River Road and east of Stephan Bridge Road, was found to contain aged and weathered metal drums, some protruding through the ground surface. The smell of chemicals was present and bows, as well as arrows, were found at the site.

Once core samples of the soil and groundwater were taken and tested by the DEQ, contamination in the area was confirmed. Samples taken contained high levels of resins, solvents, and paints used in the manufacturing of bows, arrows and other sporting goods.

Core soil samples taken at 12 to 14-foot depths, determined to be about 40 years old, revealed a bright blue substance that appears to be resin used in the manufacture of archery equipment.

The groundwater samples revealed a level of tetrachloroethene at 35 parts per billion — seven times the DEQ clean-up standard of five parts per billion.

Soil samples showed the major contaminant to be the same chemical, but at an astounding 1,200 parts per billion. DEQ clean-up standards begin at 100 parts per billion. Also found in the soil were xylene, benzene and styrene used in association with fiberglass resins.



Photo by Pat Merrill

REMINDER OF YESTERYEAR — Shown is just a sample of one of the hundreds of deteriorating barrels containing the residue chemicals used years ago in the production of archery equipment at the Bear Archery plant.

In addition, evidence of the informal dumping of fuel, petroleum products and metals was found. Furniture and 1960's era car parts were discovered on the site, too.

According to Takacs, it is uncertain who will pay for the clean-up of the state-owned site. "But," said Takacs, "the site will be cleaned up. This project may not be able to wait for possible funds from those liable." The state may have no choice than to clean up the dump site, then pursue reimbursement monies afterward.

Bear Archery was sold and moved to Florida in the 1970's. The present company's liability, if any, has yet to be determined. "We may not find anyone with any liability," Takacs said. "This goes back many years and many people worked there."

The DEQ geologist said that a request has been made to the Environmental Protection Agency's

Superfund for the \$250,000 cost of further investigation into whether there are any receptors — such as privately owned wells, streams or the AuSable River — situated down-gradient from the site. Funding may also be possible through the Clean Michigan Initiative, the state bond issue that was passed by voter approval in last November's election.

Merrill said that he has been in contact with Health Department officials and that property owners will be contacted by the agency soon if they haven't been already. The Health Department provides access to well water testing as one of their services.

Other sites were tested, but were discovered to have very little contamination and are considered below DEQ clean-up standards. They are at the site of the old Bear Archery building, behind the Cartwright and

Danewell store, near the area called the "stump pond"; an area near Lake Margrethe, north of M-72; and sediment from the AuSable River.

Merrill expressed his concern for the good name of Fred Bear and those employed by the archery equipment manufacturer. "Bear was a good citizen and is a legend in Crawford County," he said. "Things were different back then. It was common for companies and individuals to get rid of things by digging a hole, tossing waste in and burying it."

"They didn't know that there could be consequences in the future," Merrill concluded.

Takacs added that he hopes more people who know the history of dumping at these and any other sites in the county will share their information with the DEQ by contacting his office, or Pat Merrill, as soon as possible.

Crawford County one of 29 Michigan counties eligible for FEMA snow assistance funds

Twenty-eight counties have been added to the snow emergency declaration issued by President Clinton last week. A total of 29 Michigan counties are now eligible for federal disaster assistance as a result of last month's severe snowstorm, federal and state disaster recovery officials announced today.

The counties now eligible to apply for emergency assistance include: Alcona, Allegan, Arenac, Barry, Berrien, Cass, Crawford, Ionia, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Lenawee, Macomb, Marquette, Mecosta, Montmorency, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oakland, Oceana, Ogemaw, Osceola, Oscoda, Otsego, Ottawa, St. Joseph, Van Buren, Washtenaw and Wayne.

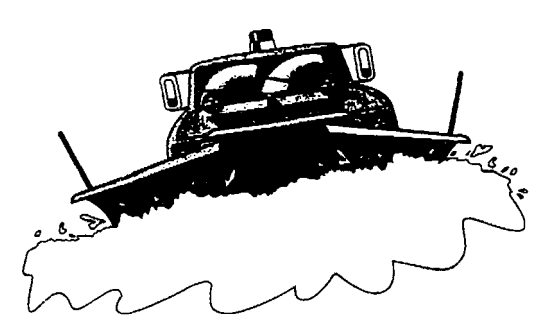
President Clinton approved the emergency declaration on January

27 following receipt of a request from the Governor's Office. At that time, only Wayne County was designated for federal assistance.

The Emergency Management Division of the Michigan State Police (MSP/EMD), which administers funding assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), made the request on behalf of the additional counties. FEMA officials made the designation to add the counties after reviewing additional information from the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration and other sources regarding "record" or "near record" snowfall for these areas.

"By helping these communities with their emergency costs, we are helping every taxpayer in the area," Lawrence L. Bailey, federal coordinating officer for FEMA, said. "However, this emergency declaration does not cover snow removal or repair cost expenses for individuals or business owners."

Under the presidential emergency



disaster declaration, affected local governments and certain private non-profit organizations in these counties are eligible to apply for federal assistance to fund 75 percent of the approved costs, during a 48-hour period. The funds cover eligible costs for snow removal equipment operations, contract personnel and equipment, and overtime for permanent personnel. Related emergency protective measures such as sanding and salting, search and rescue, shelter operations, and police and fire departments' response may also be eligible for reimbursement.

State and federal officials both

stressed the importance of communities' record keeping in this type of declaration where federal funds will reimburse specific local costs. "Having accurate, well-documented time records for equipment and personnel will

speed up the reimbursement process," Captain Edward G. Buikema, the director of MSP/EMD, said.

MSP/EMD will contact county and local government officials in the coming week to provide information on the snow emergency assistance program. State and federal representatives will be available to explain what costs are eligible, how to report equipment/personnel information, payment procedures, and answer any questions that officials may have concerning the assistance program.

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Environmental Monitor Patrick Merrill's annual salary is \$28,000 and Equalization Director Alfred Borchers will earn \$28,432.

Circuit Court Judges Dennis F. Murphy and Alton T. Davis will receive \$14,062 representing Crawford County's share of the court consolidation project.

Probate Judge John G. Hunter will earn \$45,370. Magistrate Jean Callewaert will earn a total of \$29,168 and Juvenile Agent Thomas Haskel will earn \$36,750. The

Probate Court Register Linda Franklin will earn \$20,800.

County Prosecutor John B. Huss will earn \$50,000 and his confidential secretary will receive a \$20,000 salary. Assistant Prosecutor David Wakefield will earn \$43,264 and his secretary will earn \$13,473.

Sheriff David Lovely will earn \$35,010 and Undersheriff Kirk Wakefield will earn \$32,888 this year. The Sheriff's confidential secretary will earn \$21,218.

County Maintenance Department Head Charles McLeod's 1999 salary

is listed as \$21,500 and MIS/Computer Information Specialist Mike Dunckel will earn \$6,500.

The next regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners will be on Wednesday morning, February 17 at 9:30 a.m.

The Board voted at their January 5 organizational meeting to change the day and time of their regular monthly meetings to the third Wednesday to accommodate their schedules.

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Rep. Bradstreet meets with area arts agencies

Community Arts hosts 'legislative breakfast'

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Michigan Association of Community Arts Agencies (MACAA) hosted a "legislative breakfast" at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Friday, February 5, in order to discuss the arts programs of northern Michigan communities with 105th District Representative Ken Bradstreet.

R.J. Hannan, MACAA Region Three Leader and Crawford AuSable Community Education Director, opened the gathering with a welcome and a few introductory remarks, and then allowed breakfast guests the opportunity to speak on behalf of their various arts programs and related topics.

Arts and culture program representatives from many northern Michigan areas were in attendance, including people from Gaylord, Traverse City, Cheboygan, Alpena, Houghton Lake and Grayling. Kirtland Community College also had representation.

About 10 individuals spoke. They discussed the potential benefits of arts and culture to the population in general, and most mentioned that funding is always a major concern.

The general consensus among the speakers was that while the state does provide a lot of grant money to local arts programs, there is always a need for more.

Many of the speakers mentioned

that money from corporate sponsors is a big part of what keeps local arts programs going, and they were grateful for that support.

"Without corporate sponsorship ticket prices wouldn't be so affordable," said Hannan.

Speakers also touched on the financial benefits that arts programs can give to a community. When people come to an area to see a show, concert or other presentation they spend money in the community on such things as food, gasoline, lodging, and shopping trips, some of the speakers said.

Others said that a decent arts program is a big plus for your community when people consider relocating there, and that arts presentations are great for the young people of a community.

After listening to the concerns of some of the meeting participants, Representative Bradstreet took the podium and spoke of his recent transition to the government scene in Lansing, and expressed his appreciation for the breakfast invitation. He also praised the volunteerism of the arts program representatives.

"I know that when people work as volunteers it's a very rewarding experience," said Bradstreet. "Thanks for letting me come in and learn about the arts."

Hannan, one of the "legislative breakfast" organizers, felt the event went well.



Photo by Linda Golnick

ART SUPPORTERS - (From left) R.J. Hannan, Committee Chair for the CASD Arts Council, State Rep. Ken Bradstreet (R-Gaylord) and MACAA Program Director Carol Thompson all attended the Region 3-4 Legislative Breakfast for the Arts at the Grayling Holiday Inn on February 5.

"I think it was very successful," said Hannan. "It allowed our elected representative an excellent chance to hear representatives from area

programs and businesses and get an overview of arts programs and their economic benefits. This gives them a bigger picture when they're down

Bradstreet's plan gives back some oil and gas severance tax revenues

A northern Michigan lawmaker has sponsored legislation redirecting 25 percent of oil and gas severance tax revenues to communities where the wells are located.

State Rep. Ken Bradstreet, sponsor of House Bill 4154, said the revenue should be returned to affected counties, cities, townships and villages.

"They pick up the costs for the roads, law enforcement and other expensive services," said Bradstreet, R-Gaylord. "After bearing these expenses, they are entitled

to a share of the profits."

The expenditures cause significant strain for many of these rural areas, where large tracts of federal and state land keep tax bases low.

The state collects between \$36 million and \$42 million annually in severance tax revenues from oil and gas wells. About 98 percent of this goes to the state's general fund.

Currently, the state shares none of its profits from oil and gas development with the areas that tolerate the nuisances associated with that development.

The Michigan Townships Association and Michigan Association of Counties backed a similar plan introduced last session by Bradstreet's predecessor, Rep. Allen Lowe. Crawford, Alcona, Antrim, Montmorency, Otsego and other counties also supported Lowe's bill, which passed the Michigan House in December 1998 but died in the Senate.

The legislation has been sent to the House Committee on Conservation and Outdoor Recreation.

Outstanding Kirtland alumnus sought

The Kirtland Community College Alumni Committee is looking for the 1999 *Outstanding Alumnus of the Year*.

Selection criteria considers additional education beyond that received at Kirtland, professional accomplishments, involvement in community activities, leadership, and post-degree involvement with

Kirtland or education in general.

The nominee must have graduated in 1989 or before with a Certificate of Completion or Associate Degree.

Persons may nominate themselves or someone else. Former nominees who have not been selected receive automatic consideration each year.

The alumnus selected will be recognized and asked to speak briefly at the College graduation ceremony on May 14, 1999. His or her name will also be engraved on a plaque in the Administration Building on the campus.

Formal written nomination highlighting the above criteria must be sent by March 20, 1999 to Cary Vajda, Dean of Student Services, Kirtland Community College, 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, MI 48653.

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access to the National Guard Aviation Operations terminal for access to weather updates, filing flight itineraries and use of pay telephones and restrooms.

The reopening of Grayling Army Air Field to civilian traffic was announced on June 27, 1998 by Governor John Engler after the airport had been closed for close to one year.

Additionally, the Michigan National Guard and Kirtland Community College are completing a lease agreement with the Michigan Department of Natural

Resources (DNR) to utilize the former Kirtland College Aviation building adjacent to the civilian terminal. This move was necessitated due to the extensive storm damage to the DNR maintenance structure in Gaylord last fall.

The Kirtland building was formerly used for aviation training toward an Associate Degree and has been closed for over three years.

The DNR will move their eight-person maintenance crew from Gaylord to the facility. This crew is responsible for maintenance of DNR Fire Fighting equipment and other vehicles.

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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

'Tis the season for running or not

THAT DRAFT you may be feeling these days is caused by politicians, scurrying about either getting into 2000 political campaigns or getting out of them.

These days more are getting in than out, but as Election Day 2000 nears, more will be getting out than getting in. It tends to even out.

Eventually most big races will wind up with two major candidates, although the success of Jesse Ventura as a third party winner last year in Minnesota may cause more independent wannabes to stick it out next year.

Most traffic so far is in the big races -- for president, governor or senator.

Michigan has no governor's race next year, but the run for U.S. Senate already is attracting a crowd.

U.S. SENATOR Spencer Abraham, Republican, is a prime senate campaign target in campaign 2000.

He'll be ending his first term, when an incumbent is as vulnerable as he/she ever will be in most cases, a fact which attracts opposition in droves.

That's how it's working this year. In the last few days, two top Democrats have announced they plan to run. More hopefuls likely will jump in later.

Geoffrey Fieger is the more prominent, coming off his losing but brassy campaign for governor last year.

With Mr. Fieger and politics, you never can tell. He's still lawyering, but he's also a radio talk show host in Detroit now, hoping to go into national syndication. Maybe he's talking just for publicity. But then again, maybe he's not.

A quickie poll after his "announcement" showed Mr. Fieger would lose about 2-1 to former Gov. James Blanchard in a Democratic primary for senator.

Mr. Blanchard modestly suggested that reflected carryover from his days as gover-

nor. Mr. Blanchard has not said he's going to run for the senate -- only that the thought has crossed his mind. Chances are strong he will.

STATE SEN. DIANE Byrum of Ingham County is the other announced Democratic candidate hoping to oppose Sen. Abraham. She's been around the State Capitol for eight years and has proved to be an honest, hard working and talented lawmaker.

But all those traits, laudable as they may be, don't necessarily add up to a successful statewide candidate for major office.

There's the matter of money, and name recognition, and money, and broad political support, and money, and organization, and a few other items including money.

Ms. Byrum said she could run an effective race against Mr. Abraham. Probably she could. But her biggest problem will be getting into the finals. She has time, but her candidacy must take off quickly. Early

money raising will be the key.

THE WAY THIS thing works is that candidates don't really declare their candidacy this early, because once they do, different rules apply.

So instead, they announce they are going to announce, and then start campaigning anyway -- without really formally campaigning.

Once an official candidate, for example, Mr. Fieger could risk his on-the-air job; opponents might be eligible for equal time.

Other politicians hold dis-announcement press conferences or rallies to reveal they ever intended to run in the first place. That's always good for a little publicity.

It's a strange game but nobody ever said politics is simple.

BARBIE UPDATE -- It doesn't seem possible that the Barbie Doll is 40 years old.

Even more disturbing is the news (via an Associated Press report) that Barbie is fighting her mid-life crisis by "trying to reinvent herself," as AP puts it.

She's getting a tattoo! A butterfly tattoo on her stomach. And a nose ring.

It's part of a new line of Generation Girls the Barbie toymaker is bringing out.

I suppose if she's 40, she's old enough to experiment with life style.

But tattoos? Nose rings? Say it isn't so!

Next thing we know she and Ken will be shacking up, without benefit of clergy, as we used to say. I know that's been rumored for years, but never confirmed, as far as I know.

What's the world coming to? Maybe there's substance in those millennium Armageddon stories after all.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

GUEST COLUMN

by Robert Pierce

CEO Michigan Association of Insurance Agents

Winter driving reminders

During the past month, there have been a number of severe automobile accidents which have been attributed to bad weather conditions. There have been an exceptionally high number of chain-reaction accidents that have involved dozens of motorists.

I would like to raise the public awareness to the dangers of hazardous winter driving.

As an insurance agent executive, I've had the unpleasant task of witnessing the tragedy of auto accidents and their impact on families. The greatest tragedy is knowing that many of these accidents could have been avoided by using common sense and practicing safe driving.

Winter storms in the form of blizzards, heavy snow, ice storms, or freezing rain can be especially hazardous to Michigan motorists, causing major accidents, and leaving drivers and passengers stranded along major freeways.

The first line of protection is to keep posted on weather conditions in the surrounding area through the local news media. A few hours of warning before a storm hits can be the key to avoiding being caught in it, or at least allow you to be better prepared to cope with it (allowing yourself extra driving time or perhaps taking an alternate route).

If a winter storm is present, I would like to offer drivers the following advice. If at all possible, travel only if necessary. Sometimes public transportation can be a safer way to travel. However, if you are forced to use your automobile for a trip of any distance, take these precautions:

• Make sure your car is in good driving condition; pay special attention to the condition of the battery,

tires and brakes.

- Maintain a full tank of gasoline.
- Travel by daylight and use major highways that have been maintained and treated with salt. Keep your radio tuned in for weather information and advice.

- Have another person travel with you if possible.

- Have emergency "winter storm supplies" in your car, such as windshield scraper, shovel, flashlight, and blankets. It is also good to have a pair of heavy gloves and headgear in case you become stranded.

- Drive responsibly. Don't try to save time by traveling faster than road and weather conditions permit.

Sometimes no matter how careful we are, even the safest driver can have an accident. Here's my advice on what to do should an accident occur:

- Stop, no matter how slight the accident may appear and keep calm.

- Use your emergency flashers to warn oncoming traffic of an accident.

- Immediately call the police to report any accident resulting in personal injury or vehicle damage.

- Tell police if an ambulance is needed.

- Make no admission of guilt or take any blame for the accident. Record only the facts -- not opinions.

- Obtain the names, addresses and phone numbers of any possible witnesses.

- Notify your insurance agent of the accident as soon as possible.

Hopefully, these safe driving tips will go a long way in allowing you to experience a safe and pleasurable winter driving season.

Engler declares Feb. 14-20 Principals' Week

To the editor,

Governor John Engler has proclaimed February 14-20, 1999 as Principals' Week in Michigan.

This dedicated group of educators richly deserves this special recognition.

Research has shown that the principal is the

key to the success of the school.

It is felt that elements of good schooling can neither be brought together nor kept together without the leadership of an effective school principal.

Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association urges communities

across the State of Michigan to recognize and honor your school principals during the week of February 14-20, 1999.

Joanne Welihan
Interim Executive Director
Michigan Elementary and Middle School
Principals Association
East Lansing



Executive Office **John Engler**
Governor

Executive Declaration

Governor John Engler
Hereby issues this Executive Declaration
in Observance of

February 14 - 20, 1999

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PRINCIPALS' WEEK

WHEREAS, the success and prosperity of this nation and of the State of Michigan depends on the quality of education our youth receive from elementary through high school; and

WHEREAS, within an educational environment, the school principal is recognized as the instructional leader and as the key factor in effective and productive learning in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, the principal's leadership skills and abilities directly affect the performance of teachers striving to achieve their goal of quality instruction for every student; and

WHEREAS, these professionals not only direct the activities within their school, but also act as the liaison between the school and the community it serves, ensuring that parents and taxpayers are aware of the school's undertakings and achievements; and

WHEREAS, Principals' Week is dedicated to recognizing the significant contributions of Michigan school principals to their schools and to the education of our youth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby declare February 14 - 20, 1999, as **PRINCIPALS' WEEK** in Michigan, and I encourage all citizens to support the efforts of the school principals in their communities.

Given under my hand on this twenty-third day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight and of the Commonwealth one hundred and sixty-one.


Governor

CRAWFORD COUNTY

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Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double space or use every other line.

Every letter must be signed and an address and phone number should be included. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

Letters are limited to 500 words.

All 'Letters to the Editor' are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

The Bible Speaks

Holy hatred

We often hear about "hate crimes" as though all hatred is intrinsically evil. Yet God tells us there is: "A time to love, and a time to hate: a time of war, and a time of peace." (Ecclesiastes 3:8) And a Holy God always hates evil: (Proverbs 6:16-19) "These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: [17] A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, [18] An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feel that be swift in running to mischief. [19] A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren."

If we love God we will love what God loves, and hate what God hates? (Psalms 97:10a) "Ye that love the LORD, hate evil..." God teaches us to hate what He hates in His Holy Scriptures: (Psalms 119:104) "Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way." (Psalms 119:128) "Therefore I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to be right; and I hate every false way." We should learn to say with the Psalmist: (Psalms 119: 163) "I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love." God teaches us both how to love and how to hate.

Christians are taught to hate evil but

not the persons who commit evil. (Matthew 5:44) "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;" In fact, God says we are hating our brother by not rebuking his sin. (Leviticus 19:17) "Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbor, and not suffer sin upon him." God says we hate our brother when we don't rebuke his sin, and we love our brother when we do rebuke his sin.

But what happens when Christians show love to their neighbors by rebuking sin? (James 5:20) "Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins." But what happens if one is not converted? He hates the Christian for rebuking his sin. (Amos 5:10) "They hate him that rebuketh in the gate, and they abhor him that speaketh uprightly." (John 3:19-20) "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. [20] For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither

cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved."

If individuals, families, and our entire nation is to be spared the judgment of God, Christians must love God, their neighbors, and their nation enough to hate and rebuke sin. (Amos 5:15) "Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: it may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph."

Jesus Christ said, (John 15:18) "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you." Christians with God's truth and love in their hearts must publicly reveal God's hatred of evil sins like abortion, sodomy, and fornication which are destroying America. (2 Cor. 5:14, 15).

Pastor "B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

"The Bible Speaks" is paid for by concerned Christians who support Grayling Calvary Baptist Church and who assume full responsibility for its content.

Kidney Foundation doesn't need can tabs

A false rumor that has plagued the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan (NKFM) has recently resurfaced, perhaps fueled by the Internet.

Some individuals and groups believe they can donate the pull tabs on aluminum cans in exchange for time on a kidney dialysis machine.

Such a program has never existed, nor have there ever been programs through the NKFM allowing people to exchange any type of item (pop tabs, box tops, product points, etc.) for time on dialysis.

However, the NKFM still welcomes the public's financial support for the many patient services and programs the organization provides.

False rumors about a pull tab program have circulated throughout the country since the early 1970's. Consequently, churches, community centers, schools and other groups have collected tabs and brought them to local dialysis centers, hospitals or the

NKFM, only to find that they cannot be donated in exchange for a patient's dialysis time.

"We've recently seen a dramatic upswing in calls from people asking where they can exchange the aluminum pull tabs they've been collecting," says Dan Carney, NKFM executive director.

"A tabs-for-dialysis program has never been necessary because Medicare typically pays for 80 percent of the cost of dialysis time, regardless of the age of the patient. Private insurance and state programs usually pay the remaining 20 percent."

People who would like to donate the funds they receive from recycling alu-

minum items such as beverage cans, pie plates, foil, frozen food dinner trays, etc., should send a personal check to the NKFM at 2350 South Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 or call 1-800-482-1455 for more information.

Proceeds received by NKFM will be used to fund camps for children living with kidney disease, a prescription drug program, high school education initiatives and much more.

The NKFM is dedicated to preventing kidney and urinary tract diseases, improving the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases and increasing the availability of all organs for transplantation.

MERCY BIRTHS

Scott and Amy Kolka of Grayling announce the arrival of Noah Roddy Kolka born January 14, 1999.

Corey and Amanda Wyskiel of Grayling announce the arrival of Dharma Shae Wyskiel born January 18, 1999.

Robert Harris and Jennifer Root of Grayling announce the arrival of Brandon Scott Harris born January 20, 1999.

Gary and Patricia Pease, Jr. of Grayling announce the arrival of

Korin Francis Pease born January 20, 1999

James Peckat and Tabitha Mowrey of Grayling announce the arrival of Onna Irene born January 21, 1999.

Michael and Victoria McConnell of Johannesburg announce the arrival of Bradin James born January 22, 1999.

Kevin and Heidi Francis of Grayling announce the arrival of Margaret May Catherine Francis born January 25, 1999.

Church Directory

Pray for Our Presidents

This month as we celebrate the birthdays of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, what can we do to honor the memory of these great Presidents who played such an important role in our country's infancy and youth? What is our gift to them?

Our government seems to have lost its innocence since those early days of our country. Doubts have put cracks in the foundation of our nation and rumors rot the timbers that support it. Yet, there is the Power to rebuild solidity in our society.

In Psalm 31:14-15, we read, "But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, 'You are my God' My times are in your hands."

God is the only Power strong enough to restore our nation.

As you worship this week, pray for our President. Pray for His courage and His wisdom; that God will continue to give Him the physical strength and moral fortitude needed to direct the path of our country, for it is only through God that there is any Power at all. God bless our Presidents.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Galatians 5:1-15	Matthew 5:38-48	Matthew 6:1-4, 16-21	John 13:1-20	John 13:21-35	John 15:1-17

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Sunday School - Sept. - May 9:45 to 10:45
Sunday Radio Ministry 8 am, 101.1 WQON
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 am

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor Jeff Arthur
Phone 348-4033
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 am
Sabbath School 10:30 am
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 pm

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Service & Children's Church 11 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm
Thursday Discipleship Class 7 pm
Significant Singles Monday 7 pm
Healing Services Saturday 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament 10 am
Sunday School 11 am
Primary 11 am
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ
Pastor, James Briney
3474 West Park Road
Sunday Worship 11 am
Adult and Youth Sunday School 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
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Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

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Evening Service 6 pm
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Evening Worship 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm
Blessing Radio (Internet) <http://blessing-radio.com>

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Mid-Week Services 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

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Larry Turner, Minister
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Sunday Worship 11:15 am
Sunday Evening 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Mid-Week Bible Study 7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School 9 am
Sunday Service 10 am

The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message
Pastor Dohn E. Weaver
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Sunday Worship 10 am & 7 pm
Wed. Prayer Service 7 pm

Abundant Life Tabernacle
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Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am & 6:30 pm
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
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Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm

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Sunday School 10 am
Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour and Prayer
Wednesday 7 pm

Lovells Chapel
Pastor Rev. D. Dean Coursey
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Chapel Service 11 am
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7-8 pm

Free Methodist
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Morning Service 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

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St. Francis Episcopal
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Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am
Morning Prayer 10:30 am
(the second Sunday of each month)
Adult & Children's Sunday School 9:30 am
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Otsego Memorial anticipates a smooth transition to 2000

No one really knows what will happen on January 1, 2000. One thing that is certain, however, is that patient care at Otsego Memorial Hospital (OMH) will not be interrupted by any millennium glitch.

Hospital officials have worked certifying 595 pieces of clinical equipment in the facility. While a handful of those instruments are not yet certified, all of them will be replaced or upgraded in 1999 well before January 2000.

"The best minds in the business tell me we're ready," said Ralph Pardo, who was appointed the Y2K Coordinator along with his responsibilities as Director of Materials Management.

With the blessing and support of Hospital Administrator John L. MacLeod, Pardo has undertaken all efforts to ready the Hospital for the year 2000.

Pardo coordinated efforts with Bio Sentry, a company that evaluates and calibrates all clinical equipment for the hospital.

Along with its regular duties, Bio Sentry has been testing, tagging and documenting every piece of equipment used for patient care. In addition, Pardo has written documentation from major vendors of hospital supplies and utilities certifying that their services will not be interrupted as the millennium changes.

Computerized systems for everything from accounts payable to clinical diagnostic equipment have been assessed to see if they contain an embedded chip which reads a two digit code for the year. Data from these chips, which will read "00" on January 1, 2000, may be interpreted by computerized systems as the year 1900 which does have the potential for some problems. However, industries across the country are taking steps to make sure those chips don't cause chaos next year.

"Our goal is to have every piece of clinical and diagnostic equipment upgraded, tested and tagged by the end of March," Pardo said. "By the first of November, 100 percent of our affected

equipment will be Y2K compliant."

The hospital's efforts have not included items like clock radios, microwaves or other items not related to patient care. Those items will be fixed, reprogrammed or replaced as needed.

Pardo does not anticipate any major problems with the new year. If Y2K issues affect the hospital, he said it will be for brief, planned shut downs planned by vendors to make any adjustments that have overlooked in their compliance planning process.

While Pardo is confident in OMH's preparedness, Pardo is taking a con-

vative road, planning to order an extra case of "A list" items the hospital absolutely can not be without. Other than that small concession, hospital inventories will not be adjusted for the millennium changeover.

Hospital officials have spent many hours on the issue, taking it very seriously while not subscribing to hysteria.

"We absolutely have to be prepared for any issue which could impact patient care," MacLeod said. "We don't anticipate any major problems, but we're doing everything possible to be sure that January 1, 2000 will just be the beginning of another great year for

Gaylord and Otsego Memorial Hospital."

Pardo said hospitals have a larger interest in the potential for an interruption by the date change than many industries. "Most businesses worry about revenue issues, generating invoices," Pardo explained. "We have to be concerned about revenue and patient safety."

"Hospitals have more makes and models of diagnostic and clinical equipment with embedded chips than any other industry," he said. "It's been a slow, long, steady systematic process. We're ready. No doubt in my mind."

HMOs could become liable for decisions

By David Hall
Capital News Service

Lansing - In 1991, Vicki Gerard suffered from breast cancer, but also felt victimized by her health maintenance organization.

When she requested a badly needed bone marrow transplant, her health care provider, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, refused because the procedure was classified as "experimental."

However, her personal physician had recommended the procedure.

Only after residents of her community, in Columbiaville, raised the money for treatment did she beat the cancer.

That's why Gerard was on hand to help Rep. Laura Baird, D-Okemos, introduce legislation to make HMOs liable for their decisions to grant or deny requests for medical treatment.

Similar legislation passed the house two years ago, but died in the Senate.

Baird said some HMOs deny their members critical treatment to save money. She further charged that some of those treatment decisions made concerning treatment aren't even made by physicians.

"We don't have any way to know how many are doing it, but we know they are doing it," Baird said referring

to HMOs that save money.

The bill would allow patients to sue for damages if they are harmed as result of negligence by their HMO.

Gerard said negligence by HMOs is real, and she's experienced it firsthand.

"This is happening behind closed doors all over America," Gerard said. "Nobody knows about the pitfalls of an insurance policy until you really need it. Insurance companies have to be held responsible for their actions."

However, Eugene Farnum, executive director of the Michigan Association of Health Plans, said such charges aren't true. His organization opposes the proposal.

"If you deny or delay a case, then they have the right to file a grievance and get a ruling," Farnum said.

If patients are unsatisfied with the service of their HMO they can file a grievance to the HMO and receive a ruling within 72 hours.

Only about 1 to 4 percent of requests by members are denied, he said.

Further, he said all requests for treatment coverage must be reviewed by a medical director, under current state law.

Mary Ann Sestia, director of opera-

tions of Community Choice of Michigan, an HMO based in Okemos, said everyone wants patients to get the right treatment, and that rulings on treatments are made after in-depth evaluations. "There is a very comprehensive and detailed research process that goes into making these decisions."

Rep. Paul DeWeese, R-Williamston, agrees with Baird's intentions, but contends that liability needs to be imposed in another way. "We need a plan that encourages constant improvement. If we had a system that would acknowledge 'I made a mistake' and not sink me, then we'd have a system that encourages education."

He said under Baird's proposal, doctors in HMOs would be much less likely to admit making a bad decision for fear of a lawsuit.

Gerard said she hopes the bill passes and lawsuits against HMOs are filed regularly.

"Should this bring more lawsuits? Absolutely," Gerard said. "I don't think people should have to fight for their life and fight for their right to do so. I paid insurance premiums for 22 years and when I finally needed it, it let me down."



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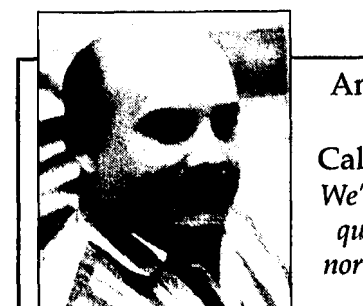
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Tobacco settlement money may benefit Michigan youth

By Nettie Casarez
Capital News Service

LANSING--Anti-smoking advocates say that now is the time to confront the tobacco problem but are satisfied with Gov. John Engler's plan to use dollars won in the national tobacco settlement.

Last week, Engler proposed using Michigan's \$8.2-billion share on an endowment that would award students up to \$3,000 in scholarships for higher education or technical training. Seventh- and eighth-graders would receive \$500 for passing state MEAP tests, while high school seniors would get \$2,500 for excellence in proficiency tests.

However, some anti-smoking advocates say the money should go to public health programs, specifically those dealing with youth tobacco use.

Geralyn Lasher, director of communication for the Michigan Department of Community Health, said the agency supports the Michigan Merit Award proposal. "Hopefully they'll be focusing on

better grades for better careers. When we encourage academics, we deter delinquent behavior."

The state sued the tobacco companies in 1996 to recover tax dollars spent on past and anticipated treatment of smoking-related illnesses. Michigan and 45 other states settled with cigarette makers last November for \$206 billion, the largest civil settlement in U.S. history.

Each state has free rein to spend the money and Engler promised all along that it would somehow be returned to Michigan taxpayers. Health advocates wanted the money to be spent exclusively on public health and anti-smoking campaigns.

"I think there will be somewhat of a battle before the Legislature," said Rep. Wayne Kuipers, R-Holland, and member of the House Education Committee. "There will be a debate when we get down to brass tacks on this money but the program that we're implementing is really deterring youth smoking."

After the settlement, then Attorney General Frank Kelley cautioned the Legislature to spend the money on public health, not tax cuts.

Kelley said last year that he would be surprised not to see a substantial appropriation for public health and cessation programs. "For the Legislature to shirk that responsibility and not appropriate money properly would not be living up to its constitutional responsibility."

Gary McMullen, director of corporate communications for the American Cancer Society in East Lansing, says the scholarship program is a good idea but the settlement money was supposed to address the youth tobacco problem.

"If the money doesn't go to anti-smoking initiatives, as debated, discussed and presented to the country, the tobacco companies still win. In our minds, that's a travesty."

Engler's press secretary, John Truscott, said Michigan is well ahead of the game in addressing the tobacco problem and that other states are looking to Michigan for examples. He said the senate

spends \$35 million a year from the six percent cigarette tax on anti-smoking programs.

Orel Callahan, executive director of Lakeshore Coordinating Council in Grand Haven, said the scholarship program itself may deter youth substance abuse.

"There is motivational precedent," Callahan said. "Guaranteed access to the future leaves a powerful impact on kids not to use drugs."

The Lakeshore Coordinating Council -- which serves Allegan, Berrien, Cass, Muskegon, Ottawa and Van Buren counties -- just received \$389,613 from the state to expand and improve treatment and prevention programs. Part of the money is intended to combat youth access to tobacco.

A Michigan Merit Award board is being formed and the proposal is expected to pass the Legislature by spring.

Michigan will receive \$104 million next year and then \$300 million each following year for 25 years, depending on inflation.

1099's for taxable jobless benefits are in the mail

Michigan's Unemployment Agency (UA) has put more than 477,500 annual benefit statements in the mail to taxpayers who received jobless benefits last year.

"Unemployment benefits are taxable," Acting UA Director Jack Wheatley stated. "As a result, anyone who received jobless benefits in 1998 will need a form 1099-G from us to prepare their taxes."

The 1099-G or Statement for Recipients of Unemployment Compensation Payment reports how much individuals received in unemployment benefits in 1998.

Wheatley noted that the UA issued all of its 1099-G's over a week ago, and they represented about \$1 billion in unemployment benefit payments.

The 1099-G also lists how much may have been withheld in federal and state income taxes from the claimant's unemployment benefits.

The state agency supplies the same benefit payment information to the Internal Revenue Service.

Wheatley advised claimants who have not received their 1099-G forms to call the agency's Claimant Customer Relations office toll-free at 1-800-638-3995.

Claimants can also call the number if they question the amount of benefits reported on their annual statement.

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Mercy assists Russians with health care evaluation

In the Fall of 1998, Mary Murphy received a telephone call from Mercy International asking her to be on a team of medical professionals who were being sponsored by The World Bank and the Russian government to evaluate and recommend changes in the health care system in a large region of Russia, the Rostov Oblast.

Three weeks later, Murphy stood at the door viewing a Russian surgical unit. "Three goals had been set forth by The World Bank for Russia- to improve health care, education and water/sewage. I was asked to assist in developing more efficient operating rooms from a design and equipment perspective."

Murphy's background includes 12 years of service for Henry Ford Hospital as Director of Surgical Services. She also worked for Harper in Detroit for three years. Murphy has been the Director of Surgical Services for Mercy since 1996.

"When I received the telephone call from Mercy International inviting me to Russia, I of course was apprehensive. A comment from my friend and co-worker, Sister Jean Umlor, was the deciding factor. She said that if I could find the courage deep in my heart to go, then I should go. Those words meant a lot to me and I am so glad that I went. It was a wonderful experience," stated Murphy.

"We saw a great deal of the countryside and I would have to say that poverty is a huge issue in these regions. I have never met a warmer, friendlier culture. The people were so welcoming and we had an immediate bond in that their goal was the same as ours - to care for sick people."

Murphy spent two weeks working with five hospitals. Her



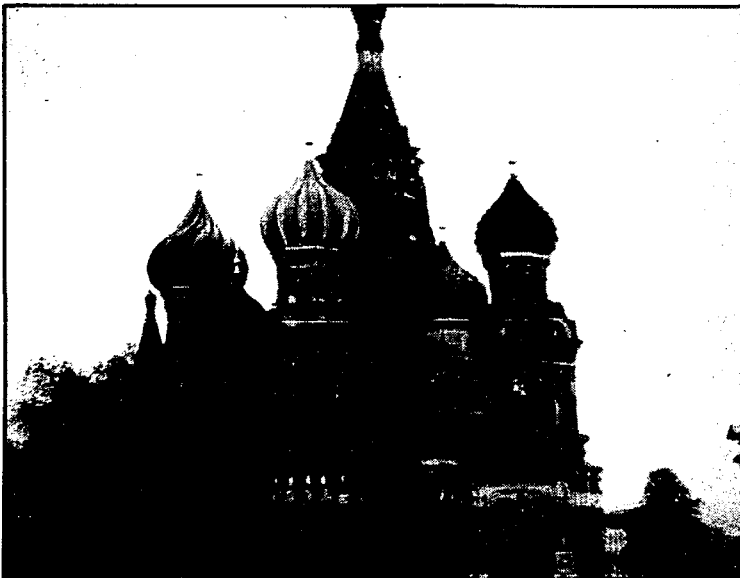
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MERCY INTERNATIONAL - Grayling Mercy Director Mary Murphy (center) stands before Lenin's Tomb with The Mercy Team she was part of during a two-week visit to Russia.

team consisted of a radiologist, surgeon, architect and equipment specialist as well as herself.

Future goals related to this project will include what the Russian government refers to as "Institutional Strengthening" with a focus on education with the health care facilities and Murphy anticipates involvement in this effort as well.

She stated, "We are hopeful that the project will progress to a point that the Russian medical professionals will be able to come to Mercy to view our facilities and learn our techniques. I feel that would be so worthwhile to them." In the meantime, Murphy's goal is to begin to learn the Russian language.



SIGHT TO BE SEEN - While in Russia, The Mercy Team had a little time to visit such attractions as St. Basil's in Red Square.

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OBITUARIES

John P. Campau

John P. Campau, age 89, of Lovells passed away on February 2, 1999.

John was born in East Jordan, Michigan on October 9, 1909 and worked as an independent trucker before retiring. John moved to Lovells in 1972 from Ellsworth.

John is survived by his wife, Alice M. Campau, sons John (Betty) Campau of Zeeland; Jim (Shelby) Campau of Oskaloosa, Iowa; Roy (Mary) Campau of Lansing; daughters Karen Spoelman of Anchorage, Alaska; Janice (Terry) Zidick of East Tawas; Joyce (Walt) Kooyer of Holland; Yvonne (Ken) MacKellar of Gaylord; brother Victor Campau of Standish; 22 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Campau was preceded in death by his parents, Eli and Elizabeth (LaBean) Campau.

A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, February 6, 1999 at Lovells Community Chapel at 11:00 a.m. Reverend D. Dean Coursey officiating clergyman. Interment of ashes is planned for this spring at Resurrection of the Lord Cemetery in Standish.

Family suggest memorials be directed to either Lovells Community Chapel, Lovells, or Otsego Area Hospice, Gaylord.

Card of Thanks

I want to thank Hospice of Michigan for all the wonderful care they gave my Ron -- his nurse, Tina Johnson, for the extra care she gave him and also for being there for me; -- Sue Vick for talking to me so many times. She would come over and explain things to me and do anything for me. And, if I needed anything, day or night, I could always call on them.

It was a blessing to us -- they all went the extra mile for us. Thank you all for taking such good care of my Ron. I'll never forget you all.

Anna Smith and family

Dean and Fritz wed



Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Fritz

Mary Margaret Dean and Richard Edward Fritz were married July 11 in Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Montrose.

The reception was held at the Montague Inn in Saginaw.

Mary is the daughter of Karen Dean-Farver of Clio, and the late Fraser Maxwell Dean.

Richard is the son of Richard and Doreen Fritz of Albion. The newlyweds are both graduates of Olivet College.

Matron of Honor was Karen Dean-Farver and attending the

bride were Kristi Rigelman, Simone Slayton, Melissa Anschutz, and Annette Dean. The Flower Girl was Kathrine Fritz.

Best Man was Michael Enright and ushering were Sean Casey, William Szamrej, Robert Lawe, and Michael Delmont and Fraser Dean II served as the Ring Bearer.

Richard is currently a Sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps stationed in San Diego, Calif.

The couple resides in San Clemente, Calif.

SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week ahead: The difference between genius and stupidity is that genius has its limits.

Your week ahead: 10th-Birthday Luncheon at noon and "R & R" at 5:30; 11th-BP's taken from 11 to noon and our special Valentine's Dance at 12:30; 12th-Pantry Bingo at 1 and Legal Help at 1:30; 15th-"Hangman" at 5:30; 16th-Euchre Club at 1 (everyone welcome) and Trivia at 5:30; 17th-Tax Lady at 9:00, by appointment and COA Board meeting at 5:30; 18th-"Lucky 7" Casino trip at 9:30; 19th-Pantry Bingo at 1 and Pancake Brunch on the 21st.

Please take note that the Share Pick-up will be on the 26th. It was misprinted in our Gazette.

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- 10 - Hamburg Pie/Italian Pork Roast
- 11 - Beef Tips & Noodles/Chicken Fried Steak
- 12 - Orange Roughy/no dinner
- 15 - Bacon Burgers/Roast Beef
- 16 - Maryland Chicken/Hamburg and Cheese Noodles
- 17 - Pot Roast/Oven Pork & Veggies
- 18 - Spaghetti & Meatsauce/Stuffed Steak
- 19 - Sweet & Sour Pork/no dinner

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CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

Story Hour continues at the Crawford County Library on Wednesdays at 2 pm for children 3 years old and up. Story hour runs approximately 45 minutes with the "name game", calendar, finger plays and songs, 3 stories and film strip and a craft. RSVP at the Crawford County Library for your children to have fun at the Library.

Federal and Michigan tax forms are available at the Library. Free forms are available plus copies can be made from the reproduces for 25 cents each.

The first Winter Wolf Book Sale was a success for the Friends of the Crawford County Library with earnings of over \$300. Many donations were made as well as new memberships.

For more information call 348-9214.

The Crawford County Library is open M T W TH 10 am-7 pm, F 10 am-6 pm and S 10 am-2 pm. Phone is 348-9214. Web site is www.grayling-mi.com/library.htm

The Lovells Township Library is open T 10 am-12, W TH 10 am-3 pm, S 12-3 pm. Phone is 348-9215.

The Frederic Community Library is open M T 10 am-3 pm, W Th 1 pm-6 pm. Phone is 348-4067.

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY NEWS

Memorial books placed in the Lovells Library for Gerta Leibold from the Gerta Leibold Memorial Fund are: *The Simple Truth* by David Baldacci, *The Guns of Billy Free* by Doug Bowman, *Home Fires* by Margaret Maron, *Angels Flight* by Michael Connelly, *Billy Straight* by Jonathan Kellerman and *Olivia* by V.C. Andrews.

New books in the Library are *Night Whispers* by Judith McNaught, *Copper Bluffs* by Les Savage Jr., *Tuesdays with Morrie* by Mitch Albom, *The Cat Who Saw Stars* by Lilian Jackson Braun, *Southern Cross* by Patricia Cornwell, *The Big Bad City* by Ed McBain, *McMurry's Depressed* by Larry McMurry, *The Captain of the Gray Horse Troop* by Hamlin Garland and *Cheyenne Justice* by Charles West.

If you are interested in starting/joining a new Book Reading/Discussion Group, please contact the Lovells Library. For more information, and signing up please call 348-9215 or drop in at the Lovells Library.

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GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Beth Brewer
Jillian DeVille
Alyssa Farrell
Daniel Hagerman
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Jennifer Long
Casey Mahaffy
Jonathan Nash
Anthony Neal
Tracy Payne
Rebecca Ramaswamy
Kyle Seewald
Kyle Wheat
"B" OR Above Honor Roll
Nicole Beckwith
Brittney Bennett
Jess Bobenmoyer
Kyle Bond
Stacey Brown
Rachel Brunell
Travis Brush
Natalie Christman
June Clark
Trevor Clough
Tyler Cragg
Mandy Czapek
Jaimi Drudge
Emily Dunckley
Kelly Dunckley
Anthony English
Gary Feeney
Erica Fenn
Jesse Ferrell
Michael Gammon
Mavrick Ginther
Chelsea Green
Hope Guardado
Jack Hagerman
Hannah Hall
Nicholas Henning
Joshua Hinkle
James Jansen
Anna Lepsy
Jody Lewis
Tracey Lewis
Angela Ly
Nikki Lynch
Margaret Mahaney
Jennifer Mathey
Kassie McClain
Dan McCullough
Patrick McNally
Alex McNamara
Heather Metzger
Darrell Metzger
Joshua Millikin
Ashley Morrison
Tara Myers
Mallory Olson
Jonathon Parker
Racheal Pegouskie
Russell Peters
Jessica Pfaff
Jeffrey Phipps
Amber Pindell
Jamie Pinkleman
Ashley Prosser
Nicole Reyes

Jodi Riddle
Megan Russell
Richard Ryan
Nicholas Sala
Chris Secord
Rachel Strelchuk
Mathew Swope
Gibson Tobin
Jenniffer VanNuck
Jessica Wakeley
Zachary Wegner
Brandi Welch
Rachel Wheeling
ALL "A" Honor Roll
7th Grade
Erin Caverly
Samantha Collin
Thomas Earls
Megan Fekete
Kip Franklin
Gail Hilliker
Joseph Lange
Margaret VanGuilder
Joni Welch
"B" OR Above Honor Roll
Lisa Adkison
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Hayley Boardman
Joseph Bourrie
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Justin DeVille
Timothy Domcik
Danielle Fedak
Shawn Gabriel
Brittney Galloway
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Jessica Schwartz
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Donald Starks
Steven Stilson
Andrew Strohpaui
Tony Thomas
Shane Thompson
Jason Verlinde
Andrew Vos
Gregory Warren
Vungkou Xiong
Jamie Zelek
Joseph Zelek
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Nicole Starr
Matthew Strohpaui
Shannon Terry
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ALL "A" Honor Roll
9th Grade
Collin, Robert S.
Elsner, Michelle
Evon, Rachael
Hagle, Marcus
Southworth, Denae
Wheeler, Chet
10th Grade
Schroyer, April
11th Grade
Cragg, Matthew
Legg, Teresa J.
Pappas, Michael N.
Trudgeon, Raymond
12th Grade
Ginther, Brooke
Hartman, Kimberly
Millikin, Jeremy
Strelchuk, Joseph
Weaver, Emily K.
"B" Honor Roll
9th Grade
Alandt, Nicole
Autem, Randall D.
Bass, Christian A.
Baynham, Larry T.
Boerger, Jonathan

Boone, Amanda
Bourrie, Jamie
Bugyi, Jenna
Cassell, Steven
Clough, Keil
Cox, Shalee
Curtis, Joseph
D'Amour, Nicholas
Dent, Jamie
Ducastel, Melissa
Fedak, Kalub
Fenn, Justin
Forbes, Marvin
Fortino, Anna
Fox, Wesley
Frankina, Nathan
Gardiner, John C.
Gildner, Michelle
Hale, Michael
Hallebuyck, Elizabeth
Hinkle, Lorinda
Hubbard, Jennie
James, Michael A.
Jansen, Kelly
Kersey, Matthew
Kimbrell, Kacyan
Kuhn, Stacey
Lamotte, Travis
Larm, Nicole
Latusek, Scott
Latuszek, Sasha
Lehman, Jennifer
Lepsy, Seth
McNally, Benjamin
Meyer, Kirkland
Nichols, Garret
Odden, Lucuss
Palmer, Andrew
Pratt, Michele
Ramaswamy, Rachel
Reed, Bridgette
Riggs, Richard
Roman, Kyle
Rosi, Regina
Schmidt, Richard
Schreiber, Justin
Schultes, Johnna
Sloan, Nathan
Stephenson, Shane
Sumner, Alexis
Swope, Ryan
Thompson, Forrest
Thompson, Nathan
Vannuck, Robert
Wargo, Alesha
Wheeler, Elizabeth
Whitney, Emily
Wininger, Andrew
10th Grade
Abfalter, Jessica K.
Bobenmoyer, Marcus
Burkett, Levi
Cadeau, Carrie
Collen, Jason
Cooper, George
Cox, Brandon
D'Amour, Michael
Earls, Nicolle
Eddy, Janna
Ellis, Miranda
Everson, Nathan
Fagan, Monique
Fisette, Nicole E.
Fisher, Angela
Gassman, Laura

Golnick, David
Gorski, Bradley R.
Gregorich, Derek
Harney, Tabitha
Helton, Matthew
Heyer, Sara L.
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Hunt, Rebecca
Jansen, Paul
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Kozik, Amy
Lokovich, Lindsay D.
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Mead, Daniel
Meyer, Meghan
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Niederer, Danielle
Peever, Tina M.
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Peters, Christopher
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Pilon, Joseph
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Pritt, Michael
Ritter, Brandy
Rose, Jeffery
Roshy, Steve
Royston, Lance K.
Ruley, Kimberly T.
Saladine, Sonya
Salyers, Michelle
Schreiner, Max
Seifert, Gwen
Stehpp, Michelle
Thomas, Joyce
Tubbs, Timothy
Wakeley, Emily
Wheeling, Jennifer
Wolcott, Arica
Xiong, Zongnou R.
11th Grade
Bale, Laura
Bass, Katie L.
Black, Bethanie
Boerger, Michael R.
Boreo, Jason
Brinks, Eric
Capuano, Joseph G.
Casey, Ryan
Davis, Colby G.
Denewett, Derik
Dickie, Allen
Dunckley, Christi
Englund, Heidi
Evon, Matthew
Ferrigan, Jessica
Frankina, Adria
Goodrow, Heather C.
Haskel, Jonathan
Hawkins, David
Hellebuyck, Carolyn
Hinkle, Nathan
Johnson, Sara A.
Kenney, Sara
Kosloski, Kimberly
Latusek, Michael
Lewis, Brandi
Love, Amanda
Madsen, Kane
Makowski, Nick

McClain, Brandi
McGuire, Sarah
Mitchell, Matthew
Moore, Samuel
Ormsbee, Timothy
Papendick, Cheryl
Pavey, Carter
Porter, Lindsay
Price, Amie
Ruark, Tiffany
Ryther, Jillian
Sartin, Benjamin K.
Stephenson, Michelle
Stevenson, Amy
Strohpaui, Russell
Summer, Mika
Tobin, Elijah
Vollmer, Marianne
Weatherly, Danielle
Wilson, Bradley
Wilson, Kelly
Wyman, Karen
Wyman, Nicole R.
12th Grade
Ahmetov, Renat M.
Anderson, Jamie L.
Anglebrandt, Shannon L.
Autem, Sara A.
Bassett, Sara A.
Bazzett, Krystan L.
Becks, Jessica
Blaauw, Brie
Bobenmoyer, Mary E.
Colby, Shane
Craigie, Tiffany
Cross, Lucas T.
Dasho, Jason
Decker, Christopher
Dobry, Mary
French, Jenny
Goeckerman, Gretchen
Hoffman, Eric
Hough, Nichole A.
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Cell phones will get 911 capacity

By Tom Springer
Capital News Service

LANSING — When an elderly Marquette County man suffered a heart attack last month, he dialed 911, and without saying a word, summoned an ambulance that saved his life.

It's a good thing he didn't call from a cellular phone.

"If you call 911 from your home or office, we automatically know your name, phone number and street address -- even if you can't talk to us," said Paul Rogers of Charlotte, president of the Michigan Communications Directors Association.

"But from a cell phone, our equipment can't tell where you're at. You could be in a boat on a lake, in another state, or somewhere on the freeway."

Yet 911 service for cell phone users may soon improve dramatically as the Legislature strives to comply with a new federal mandate. Under a 1996 Federal Communications Commission (FCC) order, Michigan must take immediate steps to increase the range and accuracy of its 911 system.

The FCC order comes at a time when cell phone use continues to

skyrocket. More than 70 million people use cell phones nationwide, and in places such as Oakland County, more than 50 percent of all 911 calls come from cell phones.

Lt. Col. James Bolger, deputy director of the Michigan State Police, says the 911 upgrades will follow a two-phase process.

In phase one, counties will install a device -- similar to a caller ID unit that will give the cell phone caller's telephone number. It also will identify which phone tower the call comes from. With this equipment, Bolger said, a 911 dispatcher could trace a location to within two to six miles.

Phase two will require even more accuracy. By 2001, all new cell phones must come equipped with a computer chip that allows a caller's location to be pinpointed within 125 yards.

"Right now, someone who calls 911 on a cell phone may fade out before they give us their location," Bolger said. "And often, someone is driving on a freeway may see an accident but have no idea of where their exact location is."

Although the technology exists for improving 911, the revenue source to make these improvements has not yet been established. When Michigan lawmakers do take action, Bolger predicts they'll raise the money by imposing a 45 - to 55-cent-per-month surcharge on cell phones.

Most home and business telephone owners already pay a monthly 911 surcharge that ranges from 75 cents to \$3. These fees are set either by county commissioners or approved by voters in local elections.

As directed by the FCC, the cell phone surcharge would be subsidize companies for the extra costs incurred in making the higher capacity cell phones. Fifteen states have similar laws.

However, most of the money raised by the surcharge would support 911 operations and training in each of Michigan's 83 counties.

For example, under one plan, the six Michigan counties that lack 911 service - all in the western Upper Peninsula - could qualify for up to \$30,000 each annually. They are

Baraga, Chippewa, Gogebic, Keweenaw, Ontonagon and Schoolcraft counties.

"The \$30,000 wouldn't be enough for a low-population county like Ontonagon or Keweenaw to start their own system," said Lt. Aaron Sweeney, assistant commander of the Negaunee State Police post. "But it certainly could help get things going."

To make 911 more affordable, Sweeney said Keweenaw and Ontonagon counties are considering a link with Houghton County's 911 system.

Bolger expects legislation to be introduced soon. "We're working to put together a new package right now."

Sen. Don Koivisto, D-Ironwood, said he supports 911 improvements but with some reservations.

"I'm a big fan of 911, it's proven itself nationwide," he said. "And we're constantly looking for ways to upgrade our county systems. But I'm concerned about randomly imposing a new fee (on cell phones) without carefully thinking this out."

83RD DISTRICT COURT

Sentencings for January, 1999

Appearing before Honorable Francis L. Walsh:

Bert James Johnson of Grayling - Driving with Expired License and impaired driving. Assessed \$585.

Sherry Lynn Caid of Grayling - Non-sufficient funds under \$50. Assessed \$160.

Melissa Ann Howe of Grayling - Non-sufficient funds under \$50. Assessed \$160.

Jacquelyn Jean Ryan of Frederic - Operate under the influence of liquor. Assessed \$660, one day in jail and 365 days probation.

Nickolas Vincent Harbor of Harrison - License/suspended, revoked - 2nd. Assessed \$460.

Christy Marie Allen of Roscommon - NSF over \$50 - less than \$200. Assessed \$381.62.

Steven Lee Kirby of Grayling - Impaired - 2nd offense. Assessed \$660 and placed on 365 days probation.

Anthony Maurice Rosin of Roscommon - Operate without Security; Registration, plate/trailer violation; License/suspended, revoked - 2nd; Operate under the influence of liquor. Assessed \$910, 30 days in jail and 365 days probation.

Gordon Arthur Whitney of Frederic - Breaking and Entering without owner's permission. Assessed \$410.

Randee Craig Johnson of Roscommon - Impaired driving. Assessed \$810 and placed on 180 days probation.

Veronica Jean Scheer of Grayling

- Failed to stop at the scene of PD accident. Assessed \$210.

Michael Joseph Terrien of Grayling - Impaired driving. Assessed \$560 and placed on 180 days probation.

Bernadette Ann DeHart of Grayling - Impaired driving. Assessed \$560 and placed on 180 days probation.

Thomas Frank Drouillard of Grayling - Violation of restricted license. Assessed \$115.

Barbara Gilliland of Frederic - False report of misdemeanor. Assessed \$360 and placed on 180 days probation.

Russell Edward Leach of Grayling - Operate under the influence of liquor; open intoxicant in motor vehicle. Assessed \$810, 30 days in jail and 365 days probation.

Harry Wellington Argue of Grayling - Child/Contributing to the delinquency. Assessed \$210.

Richard Duane Press of Grayling - Child/Contributing to the delinquency. Assessed \$210 and 30 days in jail.

Kelly Elizabeth Karschnick of Lewiston - Operate under the influence of liquor. Assessed \$910 and placed on 365 days probation.

George Leo Wolfe of Grayling - Impaired driving. Assessed \$810, one day in jail and placed on 180 days probation.

Richard Otto Myers of Grayling - Impaired driving. Assessed \$810 and placed on 180 days probation.

Michael Thomas Barr of Grayling - Impaired driving. Assessed \$560, one day in jail and 180 days probation.

Todd Wayne Lovely of Grayling - Impaired driving. Assessed \$810 and placed on 180 days probation.

Susan Laurie Locke of Flint - License suspended/revoked. Assessed \$260.

Tammy Ann Francisco of Roscommon - Registration, plate/trailer violation; license suspended/revoked; no proof of insurance. Assessed \$295.

Steven Christopher Peterson of Fowlerville - License suspended/revoked; controlled substance possession of marijuana. Assessed \$770 and placed on 180 days probation.

Kevin Michael Brighton of Tecumseh - Breaking and Entering illegal without owner's permission. Assessed \$210.

Joshua Wesley Starks of Grayling - License suspended/revoked. Assessed \$610.

Richard Harry Hable of Grayling - Impaired driving. Assessed \$560, one day in jail and 365 days probation.

Michael Allen Roshy of Grayling - License suspended/revoked. Assessed \$610.

Terry Lynn Adkinson, Jr. of Grayling - Larceny - \$100 or less. Placed on 180 days probation.

Ray Morris Vincent of Portland - Impaired driving. Assessed \$810.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following complaints were received by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department from January 31 through February 7, 1999:

Three assaults; nine larcenies; one vehicle theft; two property damage; one controlled substance; three public peace; one hit and run accident; one citation, one health and safety; one miscellaneous crime; one runaway; 14 accidents, one civil traffic; one parking violation; one traffic safety; one snowmobile; six accidents-other; three civil/family trouble; six suspicious situations; one lost and found property; nine general non-criminal.

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About 1970, most of the surviving original nitrate film negatives and prints, covering about 350 subjects, were deposited at the Library of Congress. Subsequently the KirchGroup acquired many rights to the Roach library for the Eastern Hemisphere. Due to circumstances beyond our control, we were not able to gain access and printing rights to this collection at the LOC until 1988.

To illustrate the kind of commercial potential there is for this kind of timeless entertainment when the original product is restored faithfully and marketed correctly, consider one example. RHI's distributor, Cabin Fever Entertainment, has just released about half of *The Little Rascals* sound short subjects on video in the Western Hemisphere. In five weeks, 12 of 21 volumes have been issued, and greater than one million units have already been shipped.

One million units. In five weeks. *Little Rascals Collection Volume 1* was number eight on Billboard's Top Video Sales chart for the week ending September 3.

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Reading series announces winter line-up

Kirtland Community College's Instructional Division recently announced the Winter 1999 line-up for its heralded Controlled Burn Reading Series.

The series, which brings nationally renowned authors and poets to northern Michigan, begins its sixth year with a great schedule, and all readings are free and open to the public.

On Wednesday, February 17, acclaimed Traverse City fiction writer and essayist Jerry Dennis will appear at Kirtland. Dennis, a frequent contributor to the *New York Times*, *Smithsonian*, *Audubon*, and *Sports Afield* is the author of five collections of writings, including, *It's Raining Frogs*

and *Fishes, A Place on the Water*. *The Bird in the Waterfall*, and *From a Wooden Canoe*.

His collection of essays, *A Place on the Water*, was recently selected by Michigan libraries as one of 25 books in this century that "have made significant contributions to the understanding of Michigan, its people, its history and culture."

On Wednesday, March 24, 1999, Kirtland brings in former Michigan resident Lee Upton, author of three collections of poetry: *The Invention of Kindness*, *No Mercy* (a winner of the 1988 National Poetry Series), and *Approximate Darling* (winner of the University of Georgia Press award) and three books of critical

essays. An associate professor of English at Lafayette College, Upton's awards include a Pushcart Prize. She currently is a contributing editor of *Denver Quarterly*.

On Wednesday, April 28, poets John Rybicki and Julie Moulds, come to read together from their works. Rybicki's book *Traveling at High Speeds* was one of the first books released by New Issues Press, and Writing Programs Award in Poetry for *The Red Line*, teaches English and Creative Writing at the University of Southern Maine and in the MFA program at Vermont College. A recipient of numerous other awards and honors, she is the author of two other collections of

poems as well.

The readings are sponsored by the English and Fine Arts Departments of Kirtland as well as by past support from the Instructional Division of the College, and by Mead Paper and the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs through a grant from the Saginaw Community Foundation--its Region 7 reganting institution.

All events are preceded by a question and answer session at 4 PM in the Academic Building and followed by a reception and book signing.

For more information, contact Gerry LaFemina at (517) 275-5121, ext. 376.

Interlochen winter dance to benefit Dennon Museum

The Interlochen Arts Academy Winter Dance Concert will give all three performances as a benefit for the Dennon Museum's children program.

The dance recitals are Friday and Saturday, February 26 and 27 at 8 p.m., and on Sunday, February 28 at 3 p.m. in Corson Auditorium.

Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students 18 and under. Ticket outlets are the Dennon Museum and Belstone Gallery. The contact is Maryanne Rivers at (616) 922-1028.

The following will be performed in the Winter Dance Concert: *Intercurrents*, choreographed by Dance Chair Sharon Randolph, is a contemporary pas de deux for two separate couples, set to Barber's *Adagio for Strings*. Also, Randolph is restaging her earlier creation, *The Obvious Secret*. This work set to Karl Jenkins' composition *Palladio*, performed by six couples.

The Troubadour's Tale-Stories not so *Grimmily Told* created by Interlochen dance faculty Michael

Tevlin, is set to music by Hary Janos. In this Cinderella fairy tale, Tevlin uses a band of troubadours to retell the Grimms classic from a decidedly different point of view.

"... And ye shall be as God's..." with Igor Stravinsky's *Serenade* serving as the inspiration of this ballet, was first created by Tevlin for the Memphis Ballet.

This choreographic interpretation of Adam and Eve's fall from grace was created under the aus-

pices of the National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship.

Interlochen dance faculty Wendy Masterson will present a new work, set to Respighi's *Quartetto Dorico*. This is a contemporary work on pointe featuring nine student dancers.

And finally, Janet Gray, one of our guest artists for this term, will be setting a piece from Bob Fosse's classic musical *Sweet Charity*.

Townships and counties split on plan to revamp road commissions

By Jennifer Lavis
Capital News Service

LANSING-- Townships and counties are split on a plan to increase township participation in county road commissions.

The Michigan Townships Association is pushing a bill to increase the number of county road commissioners from three to five, and give townships more say in their nomination process -- a proposal opposed by the County Road Association.

"Townships want to be heard from more," said John La Rose, executive director of the Michigan Townships Association. "The road commission often turns the township away saying there isn't enough money."

All counties, with the exception of Wayne, have three-member road commissions. Counties are responsible for all road work, while townships have no direct road responsibilities.

Currently, counties, cities and villages share \$600 million a year collected from fuel taxes and set aside for road repair. Townships get none of that.

However, townships statewide voluntarily spend an average of \$60 million to \$70 million a year on road work. This money comes from local taxes and general state aid.

Rep. David Mead, R-Frankfort, said he "supports the basic concept" of expanding the road commission, but "it will depend on how the bill is drafted," he said.

The County Road Association contends that townships have enough influence as it is. Its survey found that a majority of road commissioners live in townships, are former township officials, or employ township officials.

"This idea of not having any input is not based on any fact," said Ron DeCook, the association's deputy director. "They want to make legislation to control a process that would in turn make it less democratic."

The proposal would allow townships to recommend candidates as the two additional road commissioners. Thirty-one counties elect

their road commissioners. Elsewhere, the county board of commissioners appoint them.

Bob Rosa, who chairs the Benzie County Road Commission, opposes increasing the number of road commissioners because, "it would make it harder to communicate," he said.

But Oceana County Commissioner Raphael Malburg supports the idea.

"I consider the road commission to be the most powerful board in the state," he said. "There are big budgets, and when two people--a majority--run the whole thing, it's not the most favorable situation."

The road commissions in Benzie, Oceana and Mason counties have annual budgets of about \$4 million.

The County Road Association also opposes increasing the number of road commission members, even if the townships remain out of the selection process.

"It would add more bureaucracy and administrative costs, which would mean less money for roads," DeCook said.

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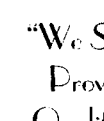


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The Hotline is administered by IIAM, a non-profit, public information organization headquartered in Lansing. It sponsors a number of consumer information and education programs. Their e-mail address is: iiam@VOYAGER.net.

House passes tax-cutting plan

A significant tax-cutting plan approved recently by the Michigan House includes legislation that protects children's education, said an area lawmaker who voted for the package.

State Rep. Ken Bradstreet, R-Gaylord, supported the measures that passed the chamber.

"We return more money to hard-working families while holding our schools harmless," Bradstreet said.

The measure is part of a legislative package that lowers the income tax rate from the current 4.4 percent to 3.9 percent by 2004.

"When this cut is fully phased-in, taxpayers will save more than \$1 billion per year," Bradstreet said.

The first-term lawmaker wanted any House Republican tax reduction proposal to include a component safeguarding school funding, as 20 percent of the revenue from the School Aid Fund comes from earmarked income tax revenues.

House Bill 4035 protects the fund from revenue losses by proportionately increasing the earmarking percentage equal to the tax rate reduction.

"Let's keep the trend heading in the

right direction while maintaining a solid investment in our educational system," Bradstreet said. "I think we can do more, especially with the personal education."

The six-bill package now goes to the Senate for further consideration.

Wertz Warriors stop in Frederic



Photo by Linda Golnick

WERTZ WARRIORS -- The Wertz Warriors snowmobile riders stopped in Frederic last Friday on their way to Gaylord for Sno Fest '99. The Warriors have been raising funds for the Special Olympics for 17 years. This year's ride has 72 snowmobilers, a support crew of 30, and will cover over 900 miles.

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by **Linda DeMarchis, M.A. Health Educator**

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Thursday, February 11, 1995

Hanson Hills hosts Winter Wolf weekend



BUSINESS OLYMPICS WINNERS -- (left to right) Kevin Roediger, Isaac Knepper and Terry Ludwick of the Crown Jewelers team won the Business Olympics triathlon this year.



CHALLENGE EVENT -- (left to right) Chris Seager and Steve Seager were the winners of the Winter Wolf Challenge triathlon, which included canoeing, snowshoeing and cross country skiing.



BEAR'S BOWMEN ARCHERY CHALLENGE -- (left) Grayling resident Jill Seager, the winner of the Bear's Bowmen Snowshoe/Archery Challenge female youth division, prepares to fire an arrow. Targets were set up at the mile markers along the two-mile snowshoe race.

Winter Wolf Festival photos by Cheryl Ruley and Cindy Olson



SNOWSHOEING -- (right) Jill Seager trudges along the two-mile snowshoeing course during the Winter Wolf Festival on Saturday, as part of the annual Bear's Bowmen Snowshoe/Archery Challenge. For the results of the other division winners please see the Winter Wolf results story at right.



AND STILL CHAMPIONS -- (left to right) Juanita Delisle and Lynn Ferrigan accept the 1st place Chili Cook-off trophy on behalf of the Mercy Hospital team.

Winter Wolf Festival results

Hanson Hills hosted the annual Winter Wolf Festival this past weekend. The festival features many events, ranging from a chili cook-off to the Winter Wolf Challenge triathlon. The following are the results of some of this year's competitions:

Business Olympics

The Winter Wolf Festival kicked off on Friday, February 5, with the Business Olympics. This event, which was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Grayling, featured a water relay, snowball throwing contest, and cardboard vehicle race. The winners were:

- 1st place: Crown Jewelers
- 2nd place: Holiday Inn
- 3rd place: Hanson Hills

Chili Cook-off

On Sunday, February 7, the Chili Cook-off took place in the Hanson Hills main lodge. Four local businesses entered recipes: Big Boy, Holiday Inn, Mercy Hospital, and Spike's. Mercy, Holiday Inn and Spike's each submitted two different batches. The competition results were:

- 1st place: Mercy Hospital
- 2nd place: Holiday Inn
- 3rd place: Holiday Inn

Winter Wolf Challenge

The Winter Wolf Challenge triathlon consisted of a canoe race, snowshoeing event, and cross country skiing. Only two people chose to take part this year. Here are the participants and their times:

Participants and their times:

- Men's:** 1st place: Steve Seager
Canoe/Snowshoe time: 55:32:17
Cross Country Ski time: 24:10:00
- Women's:** 1st place: Chris Seager
Canoe/Snowshoe time: 1:08:05:21
Cross Country Ski time: 33:33:20

Bear's Bowmen Snowshoe/Archery Challenge

The archery challenge event took place on Saturday. It included a two-mile snowshoe run with targets placed at each mile. The winners were, by division:

- Men's**
1st place: Steve Seager
2nd place: Bill Hart
- Women's**
1st place: Gretchen E. Walsh
- Youth: Boy's**
1st place: Zack Bolen
2nd place: Andrew Hart
- Youth: Girl's**
1st place: Jill Seager

Ski and Snowboard Races

Young skiers had the opportunity to compete in downhill snowboarding and ski races on Saturday. The following are the race results:

- Snowboard Timed Races**
1st: Mason Palmer; 2nd: Adam Kaiser; 3rd: Doug Slater; 4th: Eric Olson; 5th: Nick McNamar; 6th: Ben Sheldon; 7th: Kyle Trudgeon; 8th: Cris Lashapell; 9th: Brandon Jacob.

Snowboard Freestyle

- K-3rd grade**
1st: Dave Lawe

- 4th-6th grade**
1st: Dougee Slater, 16 points
2nd: Erich Christman, 15.5 points
3rd: Kyle Trudgeon, 15 points
- 7th-8th grade**
1st: Erik Olson, 16 points
2nd: Adam Kaiser, 13.5 points
3rd: Nick McNamar, 13 points
4th: Brandon Jacobs, 7 points
- 9th-12 grade**
1st: Armand Lawrence, 16 points
2nd: Travis Cummins, 15 points
3rd: Ben Sheldon, 13 points
4th: Matt Davis, 12.5 points

- Downhill Slalom and G.S.**
K-3rd grade
1st: Michael Olson
2nd: Hailey McMahon
3rd: Alex Sloan
4th: Chas "Taz" Sloan
- 4th and 5th grade**
1st: Scott Olson
2nd: Jimmy Jansen
3rd: Ashley Jurkovich
4th: Brandon McMahon
- 6th-8th grade**
1st: Matt Seager
2nd: Trevor Clough
3rd: Greg Kalonich
4th: Jill Seager
5th: Beth Lucey

9th grade and up
1st: Jonathan Davis
2nd: Neil Clough
3rd: Damian Fleischmann
The Citizen's Bank racing clinic also held an obstacle course race on Sunday. For complete results please see Page 5B.



JUNIOR MISS PAGEANT -- Thirteen GHS students competed for the Junior Miss crown this year. The pageant wrapped up on Saturday night with the announcement of the winner, Brandi McClain.

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Varsity Basketball squad wins third straight

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Varsity Basketball Team maintained a steady lead for most of last Friday's road contest against the Pinconning Spartans, and came away with an 18 point win, 74-56.

The win was Grayling's third in a row, all of which came against North East Michigan Conference teams.

Nate Hinkle chalked up a double double in the Pinconning game, scoring 30 points and leading the Vikes in rebounding with 12. Nate Beckwith added 13 points to the offensive effort.

Eli Tobin led the team in assists with 10. Brad Ritter had a good defensive game with 12 deflections.

"Our kids played very well as a team," said Coach Rich Moffit. "Eli Tobin did a great job of running the offense."

"I was pleased with our ability to make the extra pass to set up a

teammate for an open shot," said Moffit.

On Tuesday, February 2, the Vikes traveled to Tawas to take on the Braves. Grayling won that game too, by a score of 70-62.

Hinkle led the scoring in that contest as well, after putting in 19 points. Mike Ostwald scored 12 points, and Tobin put in 10.

The Vikings ended a three-game road stint on Tuesday night with a match at Oscoda, and will return to the home court this week for a game against Bay City John Glenn on Friday, February 12.

The varsity team will also host Standish Sterling on Tuesday, February 16.

Both games will follow junior varsity basketball action, which starts at 6:15 p.m.



Varsity photos by Linda Golnick

POST PLAY -- Adam Knapp (behind Eli Tobin, #33) fights hard down low.

Freshmen Basketball Team loses to Braves

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Turnovers plagued both teams in last Thursday's freshmen basketball game, but the visiting Tawas Braves were able to take advantage of more opportunities on the offensive end to take a 68-61 win over the Grayling Vikings.

GHS had trouble getting the shots to fall early, but hustled enough on the defensive end to keep the score close, and even, take an early lead.

R.J. Schmidt put in a three-pointer with 26 seconds left in the first period to put Grayling up three, 15-12. GHS led by one at the first quarter buzzer, 15-14.

The Braves offense heated up in the second period, scoring three shots from downtown and 17 points overall. Turnovers and the accuracy of the Tawas perimeter shooting really hurt GHS in the period. Tawas led 31-24 at halftime.

With 1:48 left in the third quarter and the Vikings down 10, Ryan Stahl was fouled on a three-pointer, and hit the free throw for a four-

point play. Brandon Gorr then scored three points on a drive to the basket and a trip to the line that resulted in him hitting one of two.

GHS had cut the lead to three, but Tawas regained the momentum and ended the period with a 7-0 scoring run.

Tawas led 51-41 after three quarters of play.

The Braves had some trouble at the free throw line for most of the fourth, and GHS started to take advantage. At the 2:28 mark, Schmidt hit another triple to pull Grayling within four, 56-60.

Tawas then hit five of six from the free throw line in the last two minutes of the game, and GHS just couldn't muster another strong scoring run.

The Braves won the game by seven, 68-61.

Schmidt led the scoring with 17 points. Stahl scored 16 points, and Gorr and Larry Baynham each put in eight.

The team will host the Oscoda Owls on Thursday, February 11. Game time is 6:15 p.m.



JUMPER -- Senior Nate Beckwith takes a jump shot.

Kalkaska too much for GMS 8th graders

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

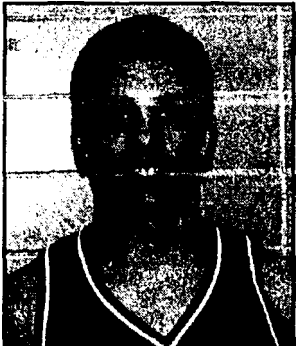
The GMS 8th grade Basketball Team lost to Kalkaska on Wednesday, February 3, in the first round of the Houghton Lake Tournament. The final score was 19-38.

Todd Gaffke was the high scorer with eight points. James Kenney was the top rebounder with eight boards.

"The team played with a lot of intensity and showed a great amount of improvement throughout the year," said Coach Craig Hofman. "Although our record does not look good, the improvement that the team has made will carry them on and help them win more games in the future."

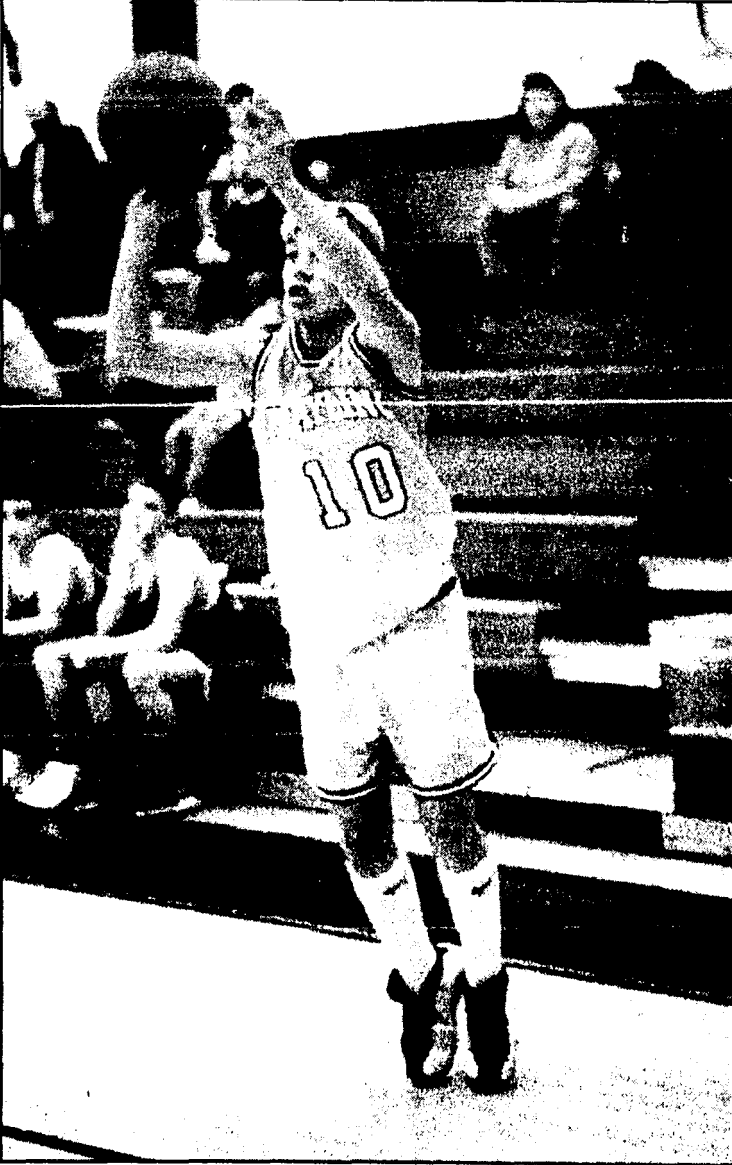
Holiday Inn

Viking of the Week



Varsity Boys Basketball
Coach: Rich Moffit
ELI TOBIN

"Eli has played good, solid defense and has good court vision to get the ball to an open teammate," said Coach Moffit. "Eli is doing the little things that make us successful."




FROM DOWNTOWN -- Brandon Gorr takes a shot from three point land.

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Niederer earns 100th career wrestling victory

Viking wrestlers take part in Gladwin tourney

The Grayling High School Wrestling Team traveled to Gladwin on Saturday, February 6, for a round robin tournament.

Seven schools other than Grayling attended the tournament, including: Montabella, Pinconning, Gladwin, Kalkaska, Brooklyn Columbia Central and Michigan Lutheran Seminary.

Matt Evon, Joshua Niederer, Marc Weaver, Chris Peters and Victor CdeBaca all won matches for Grayling.

Medal winners for Grayling were: Evon, 1st; Niederer, 2nd; Peters, 3rd; CdeBaca, 4th.

At Gladwin, Evon improved his season record to 38-1. His only loss this season came against Gladwin last December, and in a tough match on Saturday turned things around, taking the 1st place medal.

Niederer also had a good meet, racking up his 100th high school wrestling victory. One hundred victories is a great accomplishment for any wrestler.

Niederer, a GHS junior, has a 37-8 record for the '98-99 season. Last year he finished the season at 35-12, and as a freshman racked up a 30-17 record. As a sophomore Niederer came up one victory short of advancing beyond District competition, and made it as far as Regionals as a ninth grader.

With a strong senior year of wrestling next season, Niederer could break the GHS record of 157 career high school wins. On Friday, February 19, he will be presented with a special medal at the last home basketball game of the '98-99 season.

The Grayling wrestling squad will head to Mancelona on Wednesday, February 10, to take on Mancelona and Onaway, and will go to Standish Sterling on Saturday, February 13, for the North East Michigan Conference (NEMC) Meet.



MEDAL WINNERS -- (left to right) GHS wrestlers Matt Evon, Chris Peters, Josh Niederer and Victor CdeBaca each took home a medal from the eight-team Gladwin Invitational.



GO FOR THE PIN -- Josh Niederer, who won his 100th career high school wrestling match at Gladwin, controls his opponent's head and prepares for a pin.

Viking ski team competes in two invitational meets

On Monday, February 1, the Ski Teams traveled to Crystal Mt. to compete in Manistee's Nine Team Invitational.

The host school proved that the home hill is an advantage winning both Girls and Boys competition.

The Lady Vikes placed 4th behind Manistee, Charlevoix, Boyne City and ahead of Benzie, Mt. Pleasant, Traverse City St. Francis and Clare.

The top Viking Skier was Katie Olson placing 9th in giant slalom and 13th in slalom. Brook Ginther was 14th in giant slalom and 15th in slalom. Kim Hartman placed 17th and 21st and Kelly Jansen 28th and 30th.

"The Girls skied a little cautious as the hill conditions were not ideal," said Coach Mike Wieland. "When all of them need to finish for a good team score they all are under pressure to ski well, but not push it to the edge. They are all exhibiting a great team concept to the sport."

In Boys competition the Vikes finished 3rd behind Manistee and Charlevoix, defeating Boyne City, Benzie, Mt. Pleasant, Traverse City St. Francis, Clare and Roscommon.

"We were pleased to finish 3rd after our slalom results," said Coach Wieland.

Continued on Page 4B. Please see "Viking ski team..."

GMS Wrestling Team opens 1999 season

The Grayling Middle School Wrestling Team opened its 1999 season on Saturday, February 6 by taking part in the Meridian Invitational tournament.

Eleven of the Grayling team's 16 wrestlers took home medals, including: Daryl Babbitt, 1st; Brandon Pratt, 1st; Jesse Gildner, 1st; Adam

Malone, 2nd; Mike Gassman, 2nd; Dan Snider, 2nd; Doug Armstrong, 3rd; Dusty Partello, 3rd; Chris Johns, 3rd; Sam Crowell, 3rd; Dave Connell, 3rd.

The team will travel to Roscommon on Saturday, February 13. For those who want to come out and support the team, wrestling action will begin at around 10:30 a.m.



Wendy's

Viking of the Week

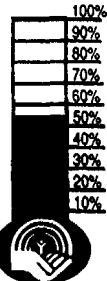


Wrestling
Coach: Don Ferguson
VICTOR CDEBACA

Victor had a good week, including taking a fourth place medal at the eight-team Gladwin Invitational round robin tournament.

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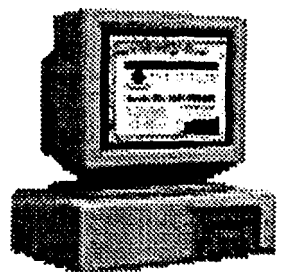
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Viking of the Week



Skiing
Coach: Mike Wieland
KATIE OLSON

Katie placed 1st for the Vikings in four races last week, including two 2nd place finishes in the Flushing Treetops Invitational.

DuBois Lumber

Viking of the Week



Skiing
Coach: Mike Wieland
DEREK QUICK

Derek had two big finishes in slalom this week to ensure the Grayling Boys Team finished 2nd and 3rd in two invitational.

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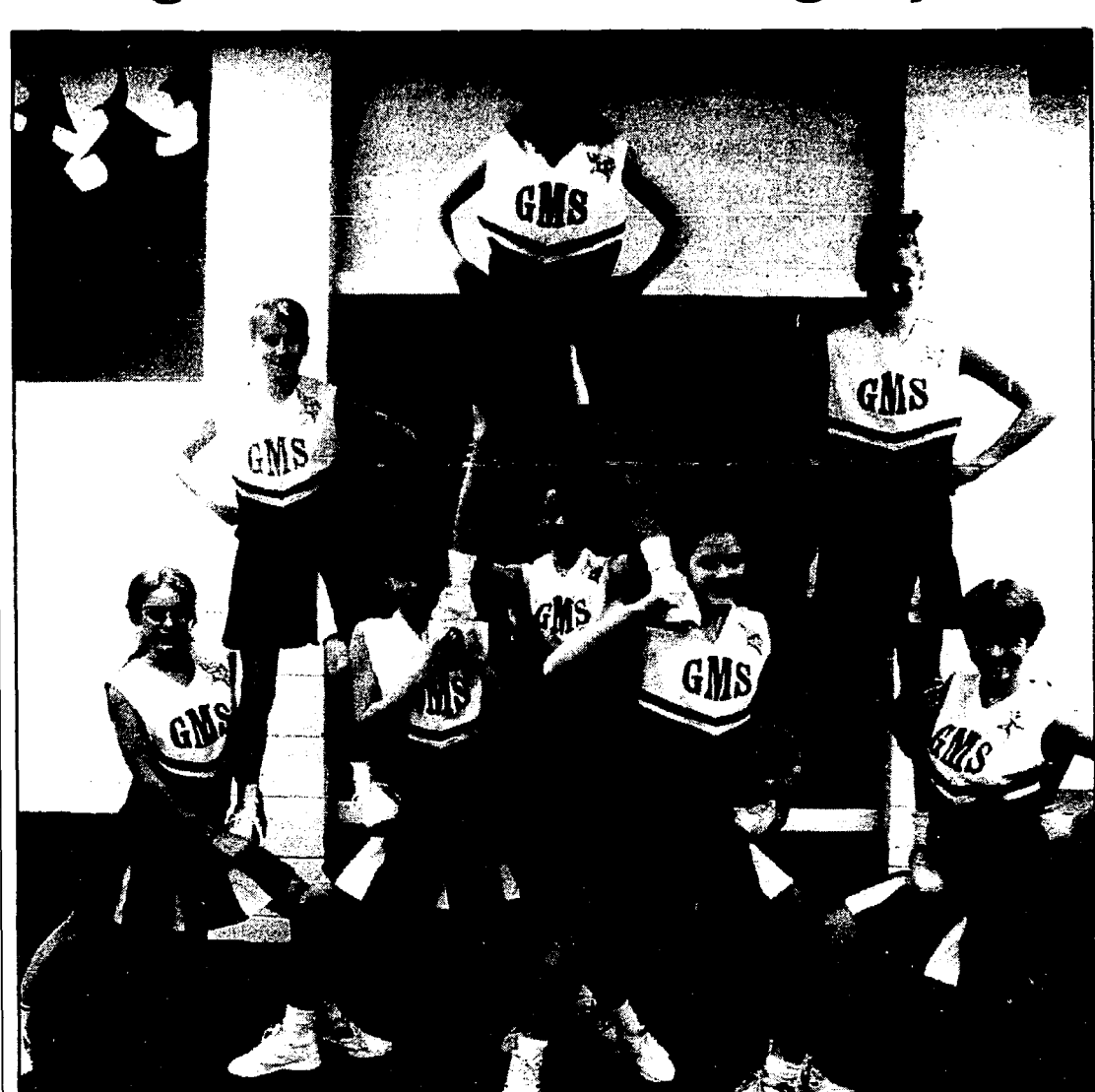
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8th grade Cheerleading squad



'98-99 8TH GRADE CHEER TEAM -- (front, left to right) Michele Belcher, Patti Martella, Heather Merchant, Jen Millar. (middle, left to right) Shannon Terry, Tracy Parkinson, Ashley Beemer. (top) Brianne Crowl.

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Game #1 - Thermogas 67 - Lange Vending 63. OT. Thermogas-Church. 29; Patterson, 14. Lange Vending- Croze. 24; Longendyke, 15.

Game #2 - Spikes 67 - Weyerhaeuser 62. Spikes - J. Gardiner, 16; Krey, 13; Thompson, 11. Weyerhaeuser - Hull, 17; Trenary, 15.

Game #3 - Sawmill 75 - Holiday Inn 52. Burrell, 20; Doremire, 18; Annis, 16; Fortino, 14. Holiday Inn - Hamlin, 18; Weiler, 10.

Game #4 - Glens Market 88 - Charles 87. OT. Glens - P. - Freeman, 27; T. Freeman, 17; Northrup, 15; Grant, 13. Charles - J. Mertes, 25; Taylor, 18; Madsen, 13; R. Mertes, 11.

Standings after week #7:

Thermogas	6-1
Lange Vending	5-2
Sawmill	5-2
Spikes	4-3
Glens Market	4-3
Holiday Inn	2-5
Weyerhaeuser	2-5
Charles Plumbing&Htg	0-7

High scorer for week #7 was Mark Church with 29 points.



POOL LEAGUE

Women's Standings	
Sawmill II.	168
Plaza	137
Spikes	137
Frederic Inn	121
Legion	120
Sawmill I.	105
5 Ball Run: Siss I., Patsey P., Vickey P.	
5 Ball: Beth P.	
6 Ball Run: Kathy M., Dee K., Margo R.	
7 Ball Run: Margo R	
Michelle and Audrey won all 6 games.	
Men's Standings	
Tadpoles.	62 - 28
Frederic Inn	58 - 32
Red Barn	51 - 39
Riverside	48 - 42
Legion	47 - 43
Red Barn II.	41 - 49
Plaza.	27 - 63
Frogies	26 - 64
8 Ball Run: Mike of Red Barn and Jim of Tadpoles.	
7 Ball Run: Jim of Tadpoles and Bill of Frederic Inn.	
Won all games: Jim & Art of Tadpoles.	

THE JV AND VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAMS WILL HOST BAY CITY THIS FRIDAY, STARTING AT 6:15 PM.

7th grade Cheerleading squad



7TH GRADE CHEERLEADERS -- (bottom row, left to right) Danielle Ross, Erin Caverly, Kayla Cummings, Heather Baker, Hayley Boardman. (top row, left to right) Emily Harvey, Nicole Doremire, Nikita Sartin.

Viking ski team competes in two invitational meets

Continued from Page 3B...

"Four of the six skiers fell in the slalom event with two disqualifying. After skiing so well last Saturday in slalom we did just the opposite in this race," said Wieland.

Top skiers were Colin Hunter placing 5th in slalom and Eric Thompson placing 6th in giant slalom. Colin placed 7th in giant slalom and Eric was 16th in slalom despite falling.

Josh Mueller placed 15th in slalom and 30th in giant slalom. Matt Ginther placed 18th in giant slalom and disqualified in slalom. Derek Quick was 20th in slalom. Jason Boreo was 26th in giant slalom and Ray Trudgeon disqualified in both events.

On Saturday, February 6, the

Vikes skied at Treetops in the Flushing Treetops Invitational.

The Boys Team finished 2nd and the Girls Team finished 3rd out of 6 teams. Class A Gaylord holds a home hill undefeated record this year in both Boys and Girls competition.

Boys Team scores were Gaylord 35, Grayling 57, Flushing 97, Harrison 121, Flushing B 208 and Bellaire 212.

Top skier for the Boys was Eric Thompson placing 4th in both events. Colin Hunter placed 5th in slalom and 9th in giant slalom. Matt Ginther was 10th in slalom and 5th in giant slalom. Derek Quick placed 9th in slalom and Josh Mueller was 16th.

Ray Trudgeon was 19th in slalom and 13th in giant slalom.



Jason Boreo and Paul Jansen placed 11th and 15th in giant slalom to finish the Viking line up.

The Girls Team was led by Katie Olson placing 2nd in both events. Brooke Ginther placed 6th in both races with Kim Hartman 9th in slalom and 7th in giant slalom. Kelly Jansen ended the girls line up placing 20th in slalom and 16th in giant slalom.

The Girls Team finished 3rd behind Gaylord 44, Flushing 59, Grayling 68, Flushing B 141, Bellaire 191 and Harrison 195.

The Vikes will ski in the Regionals at Schuss Mt. on Thursday, February 11.

GHS will head to the NEMC Meet at Treetops on Tuesday, February 16, and will host the Grayling Invitational on Thursday, February 18.

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GRA YOUTH WRESTLING

The Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) Youth Wrestling Team went to the Meridian Wrestling Tournament on Saturday, February 6, and brought back 13 medals.

Thirteen out of 23 Grayling wrestlers placed in the top three in their weight division, including:

Steven Grove, 2nd; Shane Grove, 3rd; Joe Ferrigan, 1st; Tim VanNuck, 1st; Isaac VanNuck, 3rd; Corey Metzger, 2nd; Brendan Crowl, 3rd; Josh Partello, 3rd; Daniel CdeBaca, 1st; Mykel Revord, 2nd; Eric Madill, 2nd; Cody Malone, 3rd; Joel Wilson, 2nd.

BOWLING LEAGUE

Pioneer League

Custom Interior 17 - 7
Avalanche 16.5 - 7.5
Ginger's 13.5 - 10.5
Chemical Bank 11.5 - 12.5
Millikin's 11 - 13
Aunt Betty's 11 - 13
Mercy Hospital 11 - 13
Lady Slippers 4.5 - 19.5
High Game: K. Trudeau, 211; T. Parker, 206; C. Jones, 203.
High Series: S. France, 546; T. Parker, 524; H. Spencer, 511.

Recreation League

Peterson Saw Service 24 - 8
Fun - N - Sun Rental 21 - 11
Mark 8 17 - 15
Mickey Perez CPA 16 - 16
Scheer Motors 15 - 17
Cornell 13 - 19
Glen's Market 12 - 20
Cornell 11 - 13
Gray Rock Cafe 10 - 22
High Game: P. Terry, 194; S. Sumner, 191; M. Ginther, 186.
High Series: S. Sumner, 544; J. Hinds, 523; M. Perez, 508.

American Men's

Forrest Bros. 24 - 11
Joel's Team 22 - 13
Upper Lakes 20 - 15
Moore's Auto 19 - 16
Gaylord Ford 18 - 17
McLean's Ace 16 - 19
Stitches by Sue 13 - 22
Fenton's Auto 8 - 27
High Game: J. Arwood, 245; L. Davis Jr., 228; B. Hurd, 225.
High Series: J. DuBois Jr., 589; L. Davis Jr., 586; J. Arwood, 582.

Triangle

Barber Const. 18 - 6

Airway Auto 15 - 9
Sumner 13.5 - 10.5
C.S.I. Ind. Sys. 13 - 11
Moshier Auto 11.5 - 12.5
Johnson 1 - 23
High Game: T. Everly, 268; T. Devins, 203; T. Coors, 203.
High Series: J. Golnick, 563; T. Devins, 557; T. Everly, 539.

Sunday Night Mixed

McDonald's of Gaylord 19 - 9
McDonald's 17 - 11
Custom Interiors 14.5 - 13.5
R&M Masonry 13.5 - 14.5
Wakeley's Auto Parts 13 - 15
Us & Them 13 - 15
Citgo 12 - 16
Waste Management 10 - 18
Men's High Game: R. Adkinson, 205; D. White, 202; R. Pyle, 189.
Men's High Series: R. Adkinson, 564; R. Pyle, 511; B. Palmer, 504.
Women's High Game: S. Sumner, 190; J. Hinds, 188; S. France, 184.
Women's High Series: S. France, 513; J. Hinds, 511; K. Moshier, 500.

Friday Mixed Double

Charlie's Country Corner 18 - 6
Moshier Auto Repair 14.5 - 9
Just Us 13.5 - 10.5
Hilltop Manor HCC 12 - 12
R. Calkins & Sons 10 - 14
Aunt & Sons 10 - 14
Fick Betty's 10 - 14
Sawmill 8 - 16
High Game Men: M. Sumner, 229; M. Campbell, 227; L. Davis Jr., 223.
High Series Men: M. Sumner, 606;

M. Campbell, 597; L. Helsel, 593.
High Game Women: S. Sumner, 187; K. Moshier, 183; K. Trudeau, 181.

High Series Women: K. Moshier, 512; S. Sumner, 498; S. Phillips, 486.

Northwood

Darrell's Roofing 15.5 - 8
Rich's Cycle Service 14 - 10
Millikin's 14 - 10
R. Calkins & Sons 13.5 - 10.5
Rochette's 12 - 12
R & M Masonry 12 - 12
Shady Acres Party Store 8 - 17
Milltown Chiropractic 7 - 16
High Game: J. Hinds, 202; H. Larm, 196; V. Nicholls, 179.
High Series: J. Hinds, 509; N. Starks, 476; V. Nicholls, 463.

Senior Citizen League

Cornell Realty 44 - 36
Totten's Body Shop 43 - 37
Flowers By Josie 42 - 38
Tees 'N' Such 'R' Us 42 - 3
Sylvester's Sports 41.5 - 3
Baynham Forest Proucts 38.5 - 41.5
Buccilli's Pizza 36 - 4
Stevens Family Circle 33 - 47
Men's High Game: R. Biron, 212; K. Harris, 204; G. Wolfe, 203.
Men's High Series: K. Harris, 546; G. Wolfe, 524; R. Biron, 522.
Women's High Game: P. Harris, 181; D. Burrick, 178; D. Brantley, 171.
Women's High Series: P. Harris, 463; D. Brantley, 457; D. Mead, 449.

LEGAL ACTION

FORECLOSURE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt.
Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by MICHAEL L. CANNOY and TAMMY CANNOY, formerly known as Tammy Myers (the original Mortgagor), husband and wife, to Interstate Builders, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 27, 1998 and recorded on August 20, 1998, in Liber 461, on Page 269, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to DENISE R. NEEL as assignee, by an assignment dated June 27, 1998 which was recorded on January 9, 1999, in Liber 471, on Page 119, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of **THIRTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTEEN AND 42/100 DOLLARS (\$13,413.42)**, including interest at 12.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some or part of them, at public venue, at the inside of the main entrance to the Courthouse Building, Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, at 11:00 AM, on FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1999.

Said premises are situated in Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: **Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 37, 38, 39 and 40, Block 6, Fourth Addition to Portage Lake park, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of plats, Page 22, Crawford County Records.**

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 5, 1999

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

9700 Elizabeth Street

Grayling, MI 49738

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE

CALL: (517) 484-1427

Michael J. Nolen, P.C.

Attorney for Denise R. Neel

2502 N. East Street

Lansing, MI 48906

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD PUBLICATION NOTICE Decedent's Estate

File No. 98-5921-SE

Estate of Deloris M. Carr, deceased, 384-16-0475

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by this hearing.

NOTICE: A hearing was/will be held on February 23, 1999 at 11:30 a.m. in the probate courtroom, Grayling, Michigan before Judge JOHN G. HUNTER on the petition of ALLEN C. CARR, JR. requesting ALLEN C. CARR, JR. 4026 W. M-72, Grayling.

Michigan and who died 1/4/99, and requesting also the will of the deceased dated and codicils dated be admitted to probate.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the (proposed) personal representative or to both the probate court and the (proposed) personal representative within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will then be assigned to entitled persons appearing of record.

Date: 2-2-99

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4026 W. M-72

GRAYLING, MI 49738

Any non-profit or government agencies wishing to bid on local FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Funds must complete and file their application with the Crawford County Family Independence Agency by February 17, 1999. Crawford County has been awarded a grant of \$4,568. Funds will be divided based on proposals meeting criteria to assist local residents with emergency food and shelter, supplementing or extending existing programs. If interested, contact Sue McInally at (517) 344-5129 for an application.

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NOTICE - BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 2, 1999 at 3:00 p.m. at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 1999 Assessment Roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 8, 1999, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Wednesday, March 10, 1999, 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8994 S. Oak Rd., Grayling.

The following are tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Beaver Creek Township.

CLASS	TENTATIVE	TENTATIVE FACTOR
Agricultural	40.59	1.2318
Commercial	49.71	1.0058
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	46.06	1.0855

Lee Riley
Township Supervisor

-11-18-25

YOUTH SKI RACING CLINIC



Photo by Caleb Casey

DOWNHILL RELAY RACE -- The weekly Citizen's Bank racing clinic held a special event during the Winter Wolf Festival on Sunday, February 7. Skiers of all ages were welcome, and competed with randomly selected partners. The first person started at the top of the "Bowl," skied to the halfway spot, stopped, worked back up the hill around the middle marker, and then tapped the outreaching pole of his partner, who finished the race.

The Citizen's Bank free race clinic took on a different look this week, with ski racers young and old taking part in an obstacle course fun race, which was held on Sunday during Winter Wolf festivities.

"We had all the participants gather at the top of the hill, we then split the field into two groups and sent half of the skiers to a point at about mid hill. When the first racer got to the mid point they would tag the skier that was waiting and that skier would then complete the course. This was a fun way to pair skiers up in a random fashion," said race director John Alef.

"We ended up with 23 teams with a complete mix of ages and ability," added Alef.

Kevin Sloan and Mallory Olson put together the fastest time of the day. Kyle Trudgeon and Eric Hart placed 2nd, Matt Seager and Andrea Alvarez 3rd, Keil Clough and Damian Fleischmann 4th, and a combination of Anthony Neal and Damien Fleischmann rounded out the top five.

Trevor Clough and Brandon Burrick finished 6th, Jill Seager and Bill Hart 7th, Rocky and Katy McNamara 8th, Michael Olson and Josh Jurkovich 9th, Steve Seager and Alex McNamara 10th, Patrick McNally and Beth Lucey 11th, Erik Olson and Melissa Kalonich 12th, Paul Olson and Nicole Mech 13th, Wade McGregor and Ben Lucey 14th, Jimmy Jansen and Andrew Hart 15th, Mary Neal and Vickie Hart 16th, Mallory Olson

and John Lucey 17th, Ashley Jurkovich and Dawn Burrick 18th, Mike Kalonich and Alex Sloan 19th, Chris Seager and Jon Handy 20th, Haley McMahon and Ryan Mech 21st, Jimmy Hilbrecht and Brandon McMahon 22nd, and Martin Kalonich and Chas Sloan

23rd.

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LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS Grayling Township Board Regular Meeting January 13, 1999

Members Present: Janice Annis, Melvin Nunn, Ruth O'Mara, Monica Ashton, Terry Wright.

Members Absent: None
Others Present: Joe Porter, Ron Herron, Glen Roberts, Kelly Cunningham, Scott Hanson, Dave Frederick, John Alef, Cindy Olson, Sue Somero, Al Somero.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Wright.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.
Motion by Nunn, second by Annis, to approve minutes of December 9, 1998 as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer's report for December 1998 was read and placed on file.

Correspondence: (No action required) Crawford Roscommon Conservation Dist 12-98 minutes. Crawford AuSable Board Happenings 12-21-98. Chamber News 1-99. Crawford Co. Resource Conservation & Development Comm. minutes 12-17-98. AuSable Valley Snowmobile Assoc. 12-98 Newsletter.

BUSINESS:
1. Motion by Ashton, second by O'Mara, to table C.O.P.S. Grant proposal from Sheriff's Dept. until February meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Glen Roberts and Kelly Cunningham of Wade-Trim, Inc., delivered the final Grayling Township Sanitary Sewer Feasibility Study documents and slide presentation. Copies are available for review at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours.

3. Motion by Nunn, second by Annis, to adopt an amendment to Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance 92-2 as amended by Ordinance 98-1 to be known as Ordinance 99-1. The amendment follows and would become effective February 19, 1999.

Ordinance 99-1 reduces the buffer zone specified in Section 35.4D from 1320 feet to 100 feet. Ordinance 99-1 also establishes building setbacks within the Planned Industrial and Planned Commercial Districts consistent with building setbacks of other Industrial and Commercial Zones within Grayling Township.

Ayes: five; none; motion carried.
4. Dave Frederick, representing the Crawford County Subcommittee on Trails, which is a part of the Crawford County Parks

and Recreation Commission, explained a linked non-motorized trails project for which a grant application is being compiled to secure funds to make the project a reality.

The first stage of the linked trails concept would create a non-motorized transportation and recreation trail between Hanson Hills Recreation Area (Old Lake Road and W M-72) and the City of Grayling, then on to Grayling High School (US-27 N). Approximately 2.9 miles. Estimated cost \$200,000.

The Michigan Department of Transportation will commit \$80,000 funding if the project is designed to include a portion of the trail turning north at US-27 and M-93 to link Hartwick Pines State Park in the Trail System. Approximately 3.0 miles. Estimated cost \$200,000.

Local matching funds of a minimum of 20% are required for the grant to be approved. Funds would probably be paid during 1999-2000 Fiscal Year.

Motion by Nunn, support by Ashton, to pledge \$20,000 matching funds to Crawford County Parks and Recreation Commission towards defraying the cost of a non-motorized transportation trail from Hanson Hills to the Grayling High School.

Grayling Township contributed to be allocated from the following sources. 1998-99 General Fund Budget: \$10,000. Trails and Paths Projects, \$5,000 from Township Parks. 1999-2000 General Fund Budget: \$5,000 to be budgeted for this project under Trails and Paths Projects. Funds not used in FY 1998-99, which ends June 30, 1999, to be carried into the FY 1999-2000 budget.

Roll call vote: Nunn: aye, Ashton: aye, Wright: aye, O'Mara: aye, Annis: aye. Motion carried.

5. Motion by Nunn, second by O'Mara, to resolve to collect 1999 summer taxes for Crawford AuSable School Dist., Kirtland Community College and C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District at the request of the school districts. All ayes, motion carried.

6. 1997-98 Audit Report on file. Recommendation from auditor to collect 1% administration fee on future special assessments.

7. Motion by O'Mara, second by Annis, to authorize Supervisor to send letter of support for 25 mph speed limit on Regimental Way to the Road Commission for Crawford County. All ayes, motion carried.

8. Motion by Nunn, second by Annis, to adopt the following resolution honoring Clare Madsen, Jr. and Gail E. Madsen. All ayes, motion carried.

WHEREAS, the success of a community is dependent upon the willingness of its residents to devote a share of their talents and time in the interest of their fellowman; and

WHEREAS, Clare Madsen, Jr. and Gail E. Madsen have made a lifelong commitment to Grayling, not only as residents and property owners but, as proprietors of Skip's Sports Shop, working side by side for more than 35 years; and

WHEREAS, they have given countless hours to this community in the promotion of tourism and in the interest of good government; and

WHEREAS, their strength and vitality have been a recognized force toward progressive and efficient wild life and watershed conservation practices.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the stewardship of "Skip" and Gail Madsen to the residents of the Township of Grayling, and all sportsmen and women that continue to benefit by their efforts, be publicly acknowledged and best wishes for their retirement be extended.

9. Motion by Nunn, second by Annis, to adopt the following resolution honoring Allen Lowe. All ayes, motion carried.

WHEREAS, individual dedication is the foundation of the representative form of government in the United States of America and in the great State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Allen Lowe dedicated six years of service to the people of Michigan's 105th District as an outstanding representative; and

WHEREAS, during his six years as an elected representative he tallied a 100% voting record on the floor of the Michigan House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, all the people of Michigan's 105th District, including all the residents of Alcona, Antrim, Crawford, Kalkaska, Montmorency, Oscoda and Otsego counties benefited from his representation; and

WHEREAS, his government service as a member of the Michigan House of Representative came to an end on December 31, 1998 when he fulfilled three consecutive two year terms in elective office; and

WHEREAS, the positive effects of his government service will remain as a proud legacy for many years to come, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Grayling Township Board of Trustees wishes him and his family, a healthy, happy and prosperous future in all they endeavor to do.

10. Motion by O'Mara, second by Nunn, to authorize Board of Review members to attend M.T.A. Board of Review training seminar at Grayling Holiday Inn on February 4, 1999. All ayes, motion carried.

11. Motion by O'Mara, second by Ashton to authorize Terry Wright to attend the Capital Conference in Lansing on February 23, 1999. All ayes, motion carried.

12. Building & Zoning Dept. report and Recycling Center Report were viewed and placed on file.

13. Supervisor informed the Board that Grayling Township will be the recipient of the 1998 O.B. Eustis Environmental Award for unique efforts in recycling and blight control. The award will be presented by the Huron Pines Resource Conservation and Development Area Council at their Annual Meeting to be held at the Gaylord Holiday Inn on February 6, 1999.

14. Motion by O'Mara, second by Nunn, to approve payment of bills on vouchers 20236. 20250-20256. 20281-20313. Guardian Dental \$511.45. Board and Comm. fees \$295. Liquor Inspections \$90 for a grand total of \$55,904.73. Ayes, five, nays; none, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.
Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dawn M. Stoddard, a married woman and Kenneth Stoddard (original mortgagors to Capstone Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated May 29, 1997, and recorded on July 30, 1997 in Liber 434, on Page 322, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee of Access Financial Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-3 also known as The Chase Manhattan Bank, as custodian or trustee under the applicable custodial or trust agreement, as assignee by an assignment dated June 3, 1997 which was recorded on March 18, 1998, in Liber 449, on Page 268 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage the sum is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX AND 91/100 dollars (\$62,366.91), including interest at 11.125% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 6/1 and 12/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on March 3, 1999.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:
Lot 3, Block 5, Hadley's Amended Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 08, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated January 21, 1999
Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
(248) 642-4202
Trott and Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 981212815

-21-28-4-11-18

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Moray E. Denton and Debra J. Denton, his wife, to Mortgage America, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 9, 1997, and recorded on July 30, 1997. In Liber 434, on page 387-396, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to

IMC Mortgage Company, a Florida corporation, by an assignment dated July 9, 1997, and recorded on August 17, 1997. In Liber 435, on page 543-544, Crawford County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FORTY AND 87/100 dollars, (\$74,940.87), including interest at 13.50% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Building in the city of Grayling, Crawford County Michigan, at 10 a.m., on March 17, 1999.

Said premises are situated in the township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

PARCEL "A": Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 25 North, Range 4 West, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County Michigan; commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 12, thence North 0 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds East (along the E. Sec. line), 664 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence South 89 degrees 31 minutes West, 659.06 feet, thence North 0 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds East, 338 feet, thence North 89 degrees 31 minutes East, 659.06 feet to the East Section line, thence South 0 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds West 338 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Tax ID # 051-012-016-020-03.
The redemption period shall be Twelve months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 800.3241a, in which the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 4, 1999
JACK F. GARDNER
Attorney for Assignee
SUITE 215-21415 Civic Center Dr.
Southfield, MI 48076-3953
(248) 352-7020
IMC MORTGAGE COMPANY,
Assignee of Mortgage

-4-11-18-25-4

SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE Crawford County

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ray D. McIntyre to Midwest Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 25, 1996, and recorded on November 27, 1996, in Liber 422, on page 156, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY SEVENS THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR AND 27/100 DOLLARS (\$37,854.27), including interest at 8.1250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10 a.m., on March 17, 1999.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:
LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 AND 8, BLOCK 2, PORTGAGE LAKE PARK 5TH EDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 01 OF PLOTS, PAGE 24, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS. TAX ID # 045-765-02-001-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 26, 1999
Midwest Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee
PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSO-
CIATES, P.C.

30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334
1029 Walnut Plazance
Grayling, MI 49738

-4-11-18-25-4

SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Crawford County

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: John T. Harris and Angela I. Harris to Midwest Mortgage, Inc.

Mortgagee, dated January 26, 1996, and recorded on January 30, 1996, in Liber 406, on page 399, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE AND 33/100 DOLLARS (\$47,875.33), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, February 24, 1999.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 4 and 6 feet of vacated alley. Block 2, MARTHA M. BRINKS SECOND ADDITION to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 29, Crawford County Records. Tax ID # 20-070-132-002-004-00.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 5, 1999
Midwest Mortgage, Inc. Mortgagee
Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334

-14-21-28-4-11

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD PUBLICATION NOTICE

Decedent's Estate

File No. 98-5854-SE
Estate of Albert W. Kesteloot, Deceased
374-32-3030.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by this hearing.

NOTICE: A hearing was held on September 21, 1998 in the probate courtroom, Grayling, Michigan before Judge JOHN G. HUNTER on the petition of LOIS L. KESTELOOT requesting CAROL P. KELLY & MARGARET KESTELOOT be appointed personal representative of ALBERT W. KESTELOOT who lived at 504 Ottawa, Grayling, Michigan and who died 8-30-97, and requesting also the will of the deceased dated January 22, 1993 be admitted to probate.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the (proposed) personal representative or to both the probate court and the (proposed) personal representative within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will then be assigned to entitled persons appearing of record.

Date: 2-2-99
JOHN B. HUSS P15297
PO BOX 948
GRAYLING, MI 49738 (517)348-5431
CAROL P. KELLY
5711 Wellington Way
Grayling, MI 49738

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CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING NOTICE CHANGE

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners have changed the February, March and April board meetings schedule as follows:

Committee Meeting:	February 10th at 1:00 a.m.
Committee Meeting:	March 19th at 1:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting:	March 24th at 9:30 a.m.
Committee Meeting:	April 12th at 2:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting:	April 14th at 9:30 a.m.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold Public Hearings on Tuesday, February 23, 1999, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W M-72), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following requests:

Case: 99-1C: State of Michigan, petitioner
MDNR Grayling Office
Susan Thiel, Forest Manager
M-93, Grayling, MI 49738

Property Code: 20-044-031-02-020-00
Location: Section 31, T27N, R3W. Behind
Fairgrounds, 5 acres.

A request to allow a non-profit community animal shelter as a Conditional Use.

Case: 99-2C: County of Crawford
Crawford County Fair Association, petitioner
Jodi Potter, Sec.
P.O. Box 279
Grayling, MI 49738

Property Code: 20-044-031-05-060-00
Location: Section 31, T27N, R3W. Fairgrounds
on I-75 B.L. North.

A request to amend original site plan to allow approx. 1/4 mile of road to be constructed through designated buffer and/or quiet zones to create access to proposed community animal shelter. See Conditional Use Permit 86-1C.

Case: 99-3C: Curt Jansen, petitioner
6538 Old Lake Road
Grayling, MI 49738

Property Code: 20-040-41-006-02-060-00 and 01
Location: Section 6, T26N, R3W. Lewiston Grade.

A request for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a minimum of 12 mini-warehousing units in the C-1 Zone.

Zoning maps and case files are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours. Correspondence may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (517) 348-4361 or Fax (517) 348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

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LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Lovells Township Board will be holding a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 23, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the proposed changes to the "1997 Crawford County Recreation Plan". Any questions can be directed to Supervisor, Fred Schaubly at 348-9215.

Following the Public Hearing the board will use this time to work on the budget for the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

Cheryl Hopp
Lovells Township Clerk

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

City of Grayling
103 E. James Street
Grayling, Michigan 49738

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 103 E. James Street, Grayling, Michigan until 10:00 a.m. E.S.T., Friday, March 5, 1999, for the 1999 Street Improvement Project (Sidewalks).

The approximate quantities of the major items in are as follows:

Sidewalk Removal	1,624	SYD
4" Concrete Sidewalk	128,164	SFT
6" Concrete Sidewalk	14,639	SFT
Concrete Curb & Gutter	1,217	LFT
10" Storm Sewer	300	LFT

A certified check, cashiers check or bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid must accompany each proposal.

The contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

City Manager's Office	Grayling, Michigan
Richards & Associates, Inc.	Traverse City, Michigan
Builders & Traders Exchange	Traverse City & Saginaw, MI
F.W. Dodge	Lansing & Grand Rapids, MI
Construction Assoc. of Mich.	Detroit, Michigan

Copies of the contract documents may be obtained at the office of Richards & Associates, Inc., 1783 Barlow, Traverse City, Michigan 49686. A non-refundable fee of \$20.00 will be required for each set of contract documents.

The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities in any bid and to accept the bid they deem in the best interest of the City of Grayling. No contractor may withdraw his bid for a period of thirty days after the opening of the bids.

City of Grayling
Jerry W. Morford
Manager - Clerk

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TAXPAYERS OF MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

The Maple Forest Township Board of Review will hold its organizational meeting on March 2, 1999 at 9 a.m.

The Board of Review will meet with the public on:
Mon., March 8, 1999 9 am - noon
1 pm - 4 pm

Wed., March 10, 1999 1 pm - 4 pm
6 pm - 9 pm

All meetings will be held at the township hall, 8996 N. Sherman Rd.

The purpose of these meetings will be to hear petitioners who wish to appeal their assessments, classifications and to answer any questions pertaining to the tax roll.

Classification	Factor	Ratio
Real Property		
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000

Personal	50.00	1.0000
Utilities	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial		

Mark D. Kniss
Supervisor
Maple Forest Township

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FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of February 14-20

ARIES March 21-April 20

Remember that you are a natural leader. Tuesday will be a big day for you. When you are called upon at work, leap to the challenge. This is one time when you want to be seen and heard. Don't be afraid to take a chance.

TAURUS April 21-May 21

This week you may find it a challenge to balance your professional and personal lives. If you have to go on a business trip, be sure your responsibilities at home are taken care of. Take advantage of opportunities that arise.

GEMINI May 22-June 21

However the week begins, just know that Wednesday will be your lucky day, so you have something good to look forward to. You may have to rethink your professional goals, which could prove very good for you and open some doors.

CANCER June 22-July 22

Listen to your intuition this week. It may lead you in new and different directions, which may prove very valuable for you. Most of all, you'll feel revived and better about yourself. You need to set aside one day this week and take it easy.

LEO July 23-August 23

Have you considered getting a pet? Maybe you should reconsider your thoughts on this subject throughout the week. Information may come from a very unexpected source. Depend on the moral support of relatives this week.

VIRGO August 24-September 22

Your great organization is about to drive someone nuts at work, but that's only because he/she wants to be as organized as you. So don't let what he/she says get you down. Be confident about yourself, your ideas and your future.

LIBRA September 23-October 23

Analyze all your options and use your intuition to help you through. You're diplomatic by nature; be sure you put that natural instinct to work in a tough situation this week. Take some time off with family this weekend and enjoy yourself.

SCORPIO October 24-November 22

Don't get discouraged if it seems that your romantic plans are falling apart. They may still come together at the last minute or under an unlikely circumstance, and you don't necessarily have to celebrate Valentine's Day only on the 14th.

SAGITTARIUS November 23-December 21

Your Valentine's Day plans should come off without a hitch. And even if a problem comes up, you can solve it quickly and easily and get back to your special day. Whatever you do, don't let anyone bully you into working during the weekend.

CAPRICORN December 22-January 20

Comforting colors of nature may help you deal with a sticky situation this week. Remember to be true to yourself, even when you are trying to please others. Listen to your heart, and you will find that your personal relationships will grow.

AQUARIUS January 21-February 18

Romantic attractions could surface in an unlikely place...after all, it is Valentine's Day. Don't be shy! This could be the relationship you've been waiting for. Check your vehicle's maintenance schedule. Is it time for an appointment?

PISCES February 19-March 20

Before you go any further this week, you will need to take steps to manage your time. So set your priorities and stick to that list. By Friday, projects at work will ease up, and you will have a good day to lead into a great weekend.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE

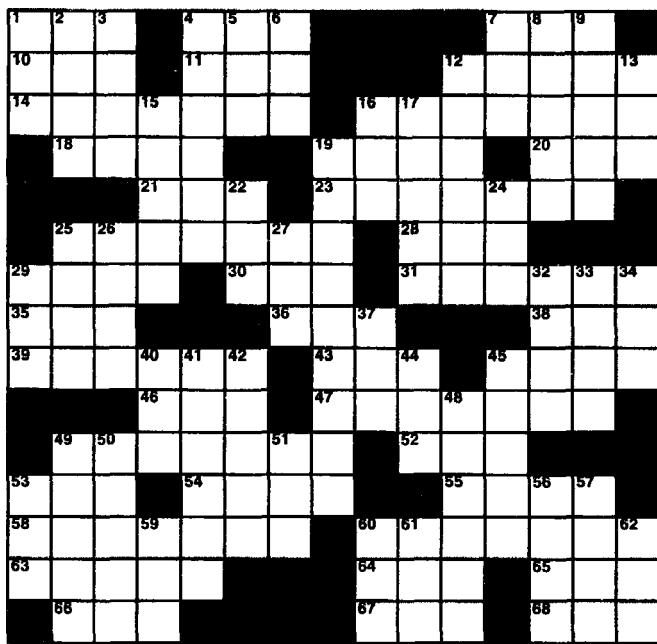
1 can (10 3/4 oz.)
condensed cream of
mushroom soup
3/4 cup milk
1/8 tsp. pepper
2 packages (9 oz.
each) frozen cut
green beans, thawed
and drained, or 2
cans (14.5 oz. each)
cut green beans,
drained
1 1/3 cups french fried
onions

Preheat oven to 350°F. In 1 1/2 quart casserole, combine soup, milk and pepper; stir until well blended. Stir in beans and 2/3 cup french fried onions. Bake, uncovered for 30 minutes or until hot. Stir. Sprinkle with remaining 2/3 cup onions. Bake 5 minutes or until onions are golden brown.



HOME NEEDED - This Shepherd/Lab mix male is neutered, housebroken and very friendly. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Computer Aided Drafting: abbr.
- Elongated head with loosely packed, dark-green leaves
- Thousand cubic feet: abbr.
- Single Lens Reflex: abbr.
- Laugh noise
- Volcanic craters
- Coward
- Adjustable wrench
- Abba ____ Israeli politician
- Expression of praise
- Word element meaning ear
- Edgar Allan ____ poet
- Lures through the use of arousal
- Grants, religiously
- ____ mode, with ice cream
- Netherlands river
- Tightly stretched canvas bed, often in the military
- Canastas
- Pub
- A person's brother or sister
- A fabric woven from goat and camel hair
- Digressions
- Taxi
- Wear away due to heat
- ____ Whitney, inventor of the cotton gin
- Love unquestioningly and uncritically
- Sweetened
- Own (Scottish)

- Megahertz: abbr.
- The compass point that is one point east of north-east
- To tire with dullness or tediousness
- Large footsteps
- Roman jurist
- Bachelor of Civil Engineering: abbr.
- Government language
- Lowest Common Denominator: abbr.
- Swiss river
- Date of Birth: abbr.

DOWN

- Reciprocal of a sine: abbr.
- Wings
- Negligible amount
- Trousers made with chino cloth
- An awkward stupid person
- Superhigh frequency: abbr.
- Woman's counterpart
- Slender boat with pointed ends
- Divisions on the necks of guitars
- Former Philippine capital
- Standing Room Only: abbr.
- Cassettes
- Senator: shortened form
- Reddish long-tailed monkey of W. Africa
- A chemical used to kill pests (as rodents or insects)
- Monetary unit
- Shaped rotating disk to convert circular into linear motion
- Sheep noises
- Gulls
- The winged goddess of the dawn in ancient mythology
- Master of Business Administration: abbr.
- Joan ____ folk singer
- Capable
- Pre-college exam
- The Good, the ____ and the Ugly
- Degree: shortened form
- African antelopes
- Obscure use of title
- ____ constrictor, type of snake
- Town in N. Dakota
- Liberation proponent (informal)
- About bristle
- Fine-Ugic
- The compass point that is one point S of due E
- Message: abbr.
- "I can ____ you like a book"
- Inside: prefix
- Insertable birth control device
- Small Business Administration: abbr.
- Fiddler crabs
- To apply with short, poking strokes

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago February 12, 1976

Mercy Hospital in Grayling is seeking approval of the state to expand its services. The hospital wants to establish a department of nuclear medicine. To do this they must purchase a gamma camera. Cost of the project has been estimated at \$48,000, and a tentative completion time of next June has been set.



Saturday the Grayling Matmen went to Roger City for the Conference Meet and came home with four first place conference champions: 98# Bill Kellogg; 112# Butch Partello; 119# Jeff Schlaack and 138# Grant Bryce. The four received first place conference medals.

Local school districts have been sent the fourth payment of State School Aid Funds, according to State Senator Robert W. Davis. The Crawford AuSable School District will receive \$151,777 in State Aid and \$18,000 in Title I funds; the Gaylord Community Schools will receive \$85,254 in State Aid \$2,853 in title I funds; and Kalkaska Public Schools will receive \$11,850 in State Aid and \$25,000 in Title I. Mio-AuSable School District will

receive \$37,058 in State Aid while Gerrish Higgins School District will receive \$8,470 in State Aid.

A son, Aaron Alfred was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Bremer of Grayling on February 3, weighing 9 lbs. 1 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Rohdy of Roscommon are happy over the arrival of a daughter Tanya Hoy, born on February 4 weighing 7lbs.

On February 7, a daughter, Onilee

furlough from Fort Riley, Kansas. He is in the infantry.

Ted McEvers and John Peterson are to report to Selfridge Field on Feb. 20 for two weeks reserve training.

John Bruun left Sunday for New York City and will embark on the S.S. Gripsholm on Feb. 13th. He will visit Denmark, Sweden, Germany, France and England. He plans to be back about April 15th.

The fourth graders of the South Side school went to the home of Mrs. Earl Broadbent last Friday afternoon where she showed them how to weave. Mrs. Broadbent has a Hammett (treble type) loom and demonstrated to the group each step in making rag rugs.

69 Years Ago February 13, 1930

Alfred Hanson motored to Flint Wednesday morning to bring back a new Chevrolet.

Mrs. Minnie Benson has left for Detroit as she has accepted a position as housekeeper for a doctor in that city.

Mrs. B.A. Cooley entertained nine guests at her home Sunday at a dinner party in honor of her mother's 85th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith entertained their club at their home Saturday night.

The Dining Room of Shoppenagons Inn was opened Saturday evening after being closed for a couple of weeks for re-decorating.

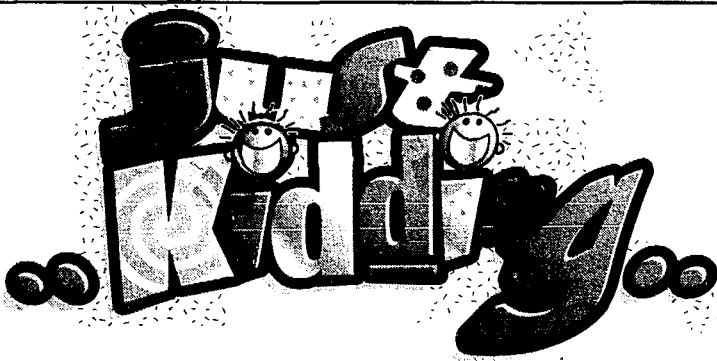
92 Years Ago February 13, 1907

Yesterday was also like a June day, the mercury registered above 40 degrees and bright sunshine.

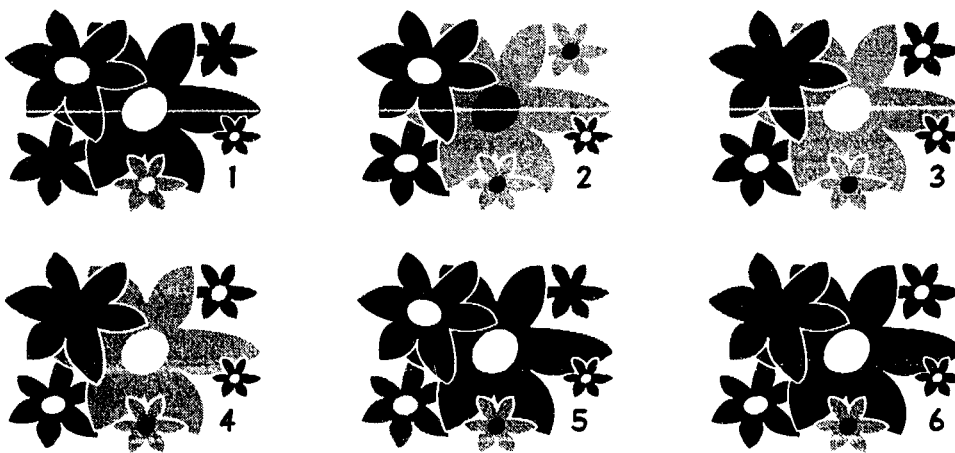
O. Palmer is attending the winter meeting of the Michigan Press Association this week. Sunday was a blizzard day, drifting the snow badly, the worst of the season. Probate Judge Batterson is taking a vacation in Jackson.

46 Years Ago February 12, 1953

Ted Leng is home on a two week



FIND THE TWINS WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



Answer: Three and Four



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	H	L	Snow	On Ground
2/3	37	29		16"
2/4	42	31	trace	15"
2/5	33	8	1.5"	16"
2/6	33	14		16"
2/7	31	22		16"
2/8	29	17	1.5"	17"
2/9	39	17	trace	15"

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Thursday will have the chance of rain showers with the high in the 40's. Friday will have a chance of snow flurries with the high 30-35 and the low in the mid 20's-30's. Saturday will have a good chance of snow showers with the high in 20's and the low 10-20's.

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Display Advertising Rate - \$5.75 per column inch
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1. Real Estate	1. Real Estate	2. For Rent	2. For Rent	2. For Rent	2. For Rent
MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99tf/1) THE CLASSIFIED - The perfect place to find that first car. (517) 348-6811 NEWLY BUILT Three bedroom, attached garage on five acres two miles from Grayling. \$72,500 (517) 348-4840 (-28-4-11-18/1) AUSABLE RIVER FRONT beautiful building lot on middle branch off Connors Flat Rd. near McMasters Bridge. Call David (740) 797-2801 for details. (LR4/15/99/1)	ESTATE HOUSE FOR SALE Beautiful two story chalet on two lots. 140 ft. on the mainstem of the AuSable River. Close to town. Three bedrooms. 1 1/2 bath. large kitchen. double fireplace. laundry room. Heated workshop. hot tub on deck. Three car garage. A must see. We must sell. Call (517) 348-2284 for more information or an appointment to see this very special home. Great fishing too. \$168,000. (-11-18/1) 2. For Rent CABIN FOR RENT on the river. Nightly or weekly. 517-348-8350. (9/9/97tf/2)	MAKE ARBOR COURT APARTMENTS your new home. Large two bedroom apartments. Maximum income level of \$17,040. rent is based on income for two person household. A barrier free unit is also available. Call Michelle at 517-348-6399 for more information. Equal Housing Opportunity. Professionally managed by Kathy Richards, Inc. and financed by Rural Development (021502010) (3/19/98tf/2) FOR RENT Two bedroom apartments in town \$425 per month plus gas. References and security deposit. Call (517) 348-2473. leave message. (12/3/98tf/2)	NEWER TWO BEDROOM two bath duplex Hot water heat, garage and many extras. \$550 month. Phone (517) 348-8066. (-4-11/2)	THREE BEDROOM HOUSE in city of Grayling \$350 per month plus deposit. Call (517) 275-5225. (-4-11/2)	FOR RENT Office building 1,000, 2,000, or 3,000 sq. ft. Available. M-72 West. Call Randy (517) 348-5474. (1/7/99tf/2)




RE/MAX

GRAYLING

CHARLENE SCHEER




VERY WELL MAINTAINED mobile home with 2 nice additions. 3 bedrooms, sunroom and large foyer. Dining room offers bay window & built in hutch. Bath offers double vanity. Appliances include stove, refrigerator, washer and electric dryer. 24x26 detached garage with remote door opener, has front & rear entrance for snowmobiles also a 21x12 basement. Adjoining state land Great Recreational Getaway! \$49,000 CS-787

FIVE UNIT APARTMENT BUILDING. This apt. complex totally renovated in 1991. Located just off North Down River Road in Grayling's city limits. Excellent investment opportunity. Income and expenses available from listing office. \$146,000 CH-903




CLOSE ACCESS TO LAKE MARGRETHE with very secluded hilltop setting. Newer 3 bedrooms and 2 bath home with custom made oak cabinets and sliding downwall onto rear patio. Fenced in backyard. 18x21 concrete apron, covered entry porch. 2 car heated and finished garage with generous storage. 5x22 lean to on the back of the garage. All appliances included. \$88,900 CH-895

GREAT LOCATION CLOSE TO TOWN. Newly remodeled 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths has 1,146 sq. ft., sunroom, open dining, living room combination. Natural gas forced air heat, crawl space. New carpet, fresh paint and paper throughout. Immediate occupancy. \$69,900 CS-845




85' ON HIGH BANK OF FAMOUS MANISTEE RIVER. Adjoins hundreds of acres of State Land to the south. Enjoy the leisure atmosphere overlooking the Manistee River. Great fishing and canoeing. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath offers 1,328 sq. ft. with large living room, new roof. Walkout basement under river room. Immediate occupancy. \$89,000 CS-802

3557 M-72 EAST. This home or cottage has 2.25 acres, 1,160 sq. ft. includes family room, vaulted ceilings, oversized kitchen, many built-ins, bow windows, garage, wood-shed, deck, master bedroom suite with jacuzzi tub. Near Wakeley Lake Recreation area. \$45,000 CH-904




SHERWOOD FOREST - Exceptional location and value. Beautiful hardwoods on this large parcel. Split rail fencing. Home offers over 1,300 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, new vinyl siding and shutters. Large rear deck and natural gas H/W baseboard heat. \$76,500 CH-902


10.63 ACRES MATURE RED & WHITE PINE ADJOINING STATE LAND. Very secluded setting. Enjoy the peaceful tranquility from this well built three bedroom home. Kitchen offers recessed lighting, white formica cabinets with oak trim. LP gas heat, central air, 3 ceiling fans, all appliances including stackable washer & dryer. Large deck on back with railing, covered porch on front and two storage buildings. \$95,000 CS-883





NICE HOME IN THE CITY! New vinyl siding & roof. 3 bedroom, 1 bath offers 1,300 sq. ft. with natural gas heat, new gas log fireplace in family room. Formal dining room, fresh paint throughout. Partial basement. 1 1/2 car attached garage. Fenced in yard, walkout patio door onto large deck with bench seating. Immediate occupancy. Close to hospital, schools and shopping. \$69,500 CS-837

704 PARK STREET, conveniently located within Grayling's city limits. 3 bedroom home, basement, covered front porch, wheelchair accessible ramp, immediate occupancy and 20x20 barn. Priced right at \$35,900 CH-905


We're all about Up North!




Residential Recreation Acreage Commercial




WELL CARED FOR 3 bedroom home on corner lot. Features: natural gas, forced air heat, 1 1/2 baths, pantry, appliances including washer & dryer, wrap-around deck. This home is located on a paved road, approximately 1 mile from town. \$58,000 Reduced to \$54,500 (BSO-1078)



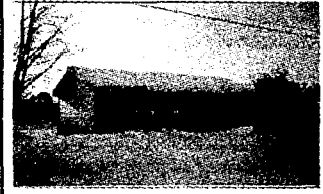
MODERN CABIN located just over 200' from the AuSable River "Holy Waters" with private access. 1 bedroom, bath, enclosed porch and a storage building. \$42,900 (DL-1192)




FARM HOME ASSUMABLE, 4 bedroom modular, 1 block from Lake Margrethe with lake access. Reduced to \$58,500 (TV-1154)




CHARMING SECLUDED NEW home sits on a square 10 acre wooded parcel. Totally furnished with all the appliances, furniture, tv/stereo, full woodstove, outbuildings and 2 picnic tables. Less than 10 miles from town. \$98,000 (DM-1200)




THREE YEAR OLD WELL BUILT home in the city. Oak kitchen cabinets, attached garage with a cement drive & apron, full finished basement, 4+ bedrooms, 2 full baths. \$89,000 (DM-1194)




GREAT LOCATION close to AuSable River main stream & South Branch, state land, Wakeley Lake and snowmobile trail. 3 bedroom home with fireplace and 2 1/2 car garage. 10 wooded acres with lots of deer & turkeys. \$75,900 (DL-1177)




HORSESHOE TRAIL is the location of this 2 bedroom home located on 2.5 acres close access to AuSable River. State land and snowmobile trails. \$43,400 (DL-1146)



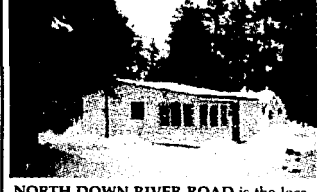
GRAYLING MOBILE ESTATES is the location of 4 new modulars. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, block foundation each on a nice lot. Ask about our rent - purchase program for qualified buyers. \$55,900 (LM-1024)




SPACIOUS HOME on 2.5 acres. Across the road from Old Rayburn property. Attached garage, plus 2 1/2 detached garage and appliances included. \$42,500 (JWMW - 1202)



THIS NEWLY RENOVATED historic schoolhouse is a must see! 1,800 sq. ft., 3 bedroom home offers a lot of characteristics with quality craftsmanship. \$89,900 (KJLJ-1042)













NORTH DOWN RIVER ROAD is the location of your future cabin for hunting, fishing and snowmobiling. The main cabin - a 2 bedroom bunkhouse, 2 car garage, outside pump and bath with path. \$31,900 (DL-1216)




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SALES TEAM

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AVALANCHE

Radio stations usually stay with a basic format—such as country or rock music or all talk—so their audiences are limited to those fans.

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*Source: Nielsen Top 50 Market Reports "Radio Rule" The Radio Corporation, Dec. 92

1. For Rent

FOR RENT GETAWAY RETREAT Two bedroom Ausable River home, sleeps six. Week or weekend only. 348-7868, leave message. (6/25/98tf/2)

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MOBILE HOME three bedroom, two bath, private land, West M-72, by Burton's Landing. \$350/month plus utilities. Call p.m. only, 1-888-681-6672. (-11/2)

NICE ONE BEDROOM duplex, recent remodeling, nice neighbors. Adult non-smoking unit \$325, rental and employment refer. 310A Rolla, phone (517) 348-2178. (1/7/99tf/2)

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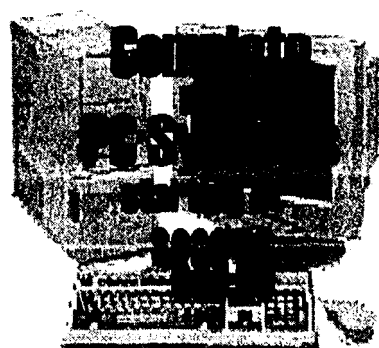
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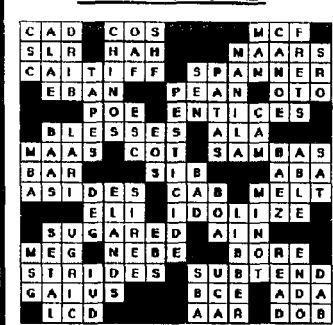
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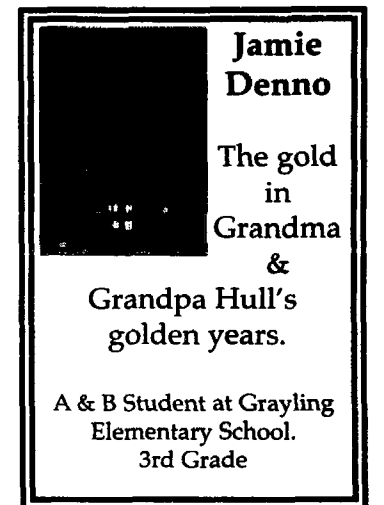
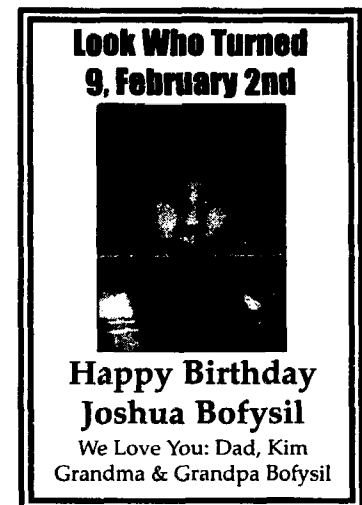


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Norma

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Dave, Sarah, and Bill Golnick

Love, Mom & Dad

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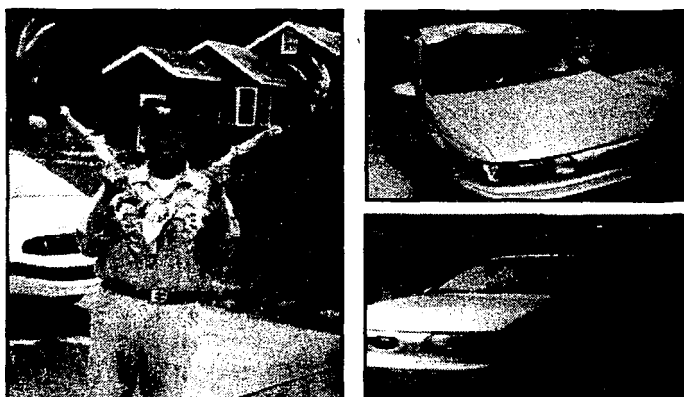
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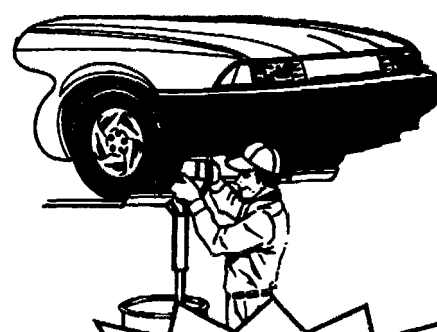
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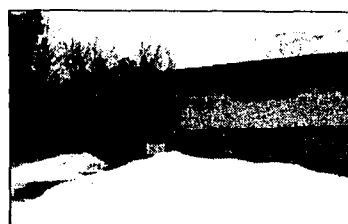
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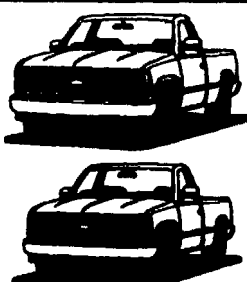
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